

OTUS BENGALENSIS.

*capite rufescens, fusco alboque undulatim variegatus; nuchæ pectorisque plumis in
tâ brunneo-nigrâ notatis; abdomine fusco graciliter fasciato; remigibus
teralibus prope apicem brunneo fasciatis, his mediis per totam longitudi
notatis.*

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gitudine corporis, 1 ped. *Alaudæ*, 6½ unc. ; *tarsi*, 4.

It is not notice of this remarkable bird. In the "Natural History of Birds" of Dr. Latham
to consider it a variety of *Otus* rather than as a distinct species. The
brought from India by the E. I. C. S., contained a specimen
e considered as *Otus* warrant its being separated as a new
with which a *Otus* several specimens leads us to coincide
fine *Owl* and *Otus* and rather abundantly found over
lands of *Otus* the Himalayan Mountains, whence
n was re *Otus* in accurate and judicious remarks
ion, wh *Otus* kindness of its author, the Hon. F. J.
owing p *Otus* in trees, the nest being composed of l
the fe *Otus* black reddish-brown and white. Its nat
s *Hokro* among the *Cheel* or *Kite* genus, and affirm
nough, *Otus* old cats."

Otus Shore's Drawings of a yellow colour, and they
Sykes + *Otus* orange, gradually changing to yellow a
? It n *Otus* *Owls* which have a bright *iris*, such as
os *Owls*, *Otus* observation may be extended to the p
kes state *Otus* the species in full activity by day; so much
al occas *Otus* successfully at that time; a circumstance which rarely h
urnal sp *Cheel* or *Kite*, originally applied to a bird which preys
to the p *Otus* probably refer to its diurnal habits.
Sykes sta *Otus* the favourite haunts of these birds are extensive plains, wh
ally seen *Otus* stones. At other times however, but rarely, he has observed
e secluded places. Their favourite food, he adds, is rats; but he has met, at times,
s in their stomachs. Their Mahrattée name is *Goobur*.



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"Quot libros, quam breve tempus." [So many books, so little time.]—Caesar Augustus

Foreword

Bibliographies are essential reference tools for researchers. They serve to organize, into one place, all pertinent works on a particular subject. In addition to giving the user a list of works dealing with a subject, they can be used to identify and verify authorship, date of publication, exact title, publisher, editions, and other pertinent information.

Aasheesh Pittie gave the world an enormous reference work on ornithology in 2010 with his “Birds in Books”, which covered 1,706 titles, and presented a wealth of accurate information on each title, many from his own library; as well as providing short biographies of selected workers. This important supplement to that work adds to those works with an additional 535 and keeps with the same format as the 2010 book, making it easy to follow and compare.

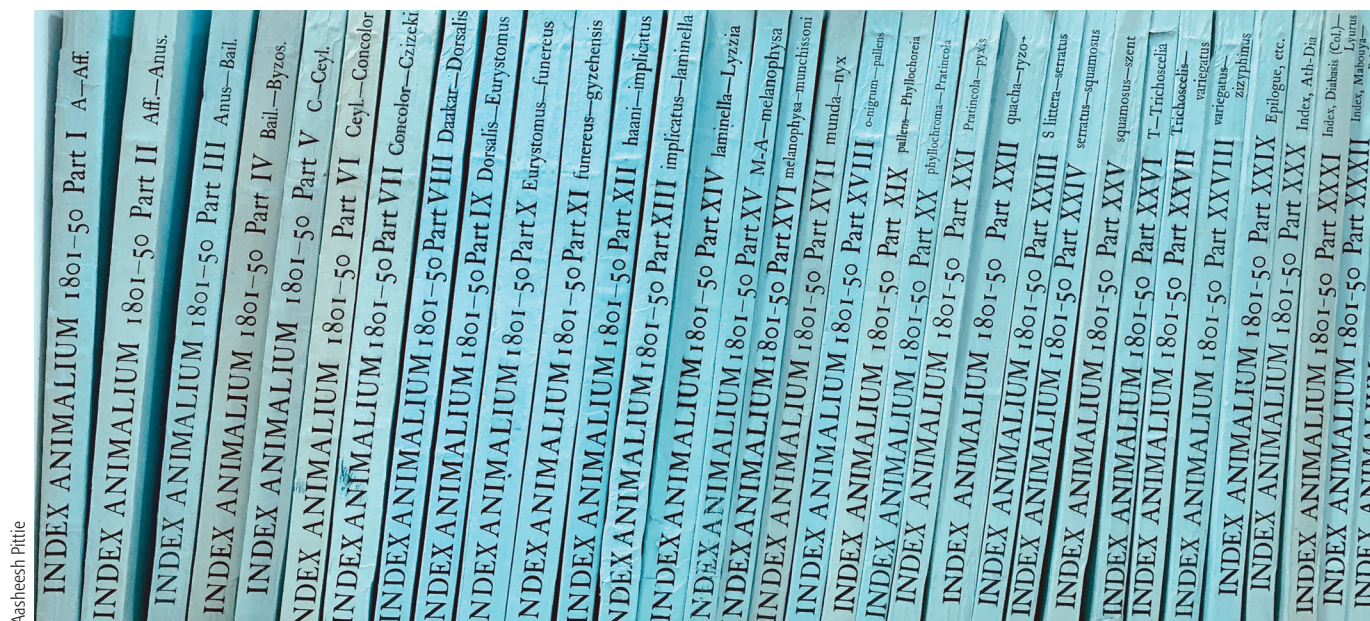
As the world is changing, not necessarily for the better when we think of impacts to our ecosystems and environment, knowing what literature exists on a particular subject becomes even more important. Habitat exploitation, logging, climate change, competition of resources, invasive species, diseases, etc., are ravaging our ecosystems. Birds are especially vulnerable to impacts further down the food chain, thus are constantly monitored as the “canaries in a coalmine” indicators of success or failure in protecting our wildlife and their habitats. Having access to published information becomes essential to helping save what survives.

This supplement, as is also evidenced by his original work, shows the passion for bibliography that the author possesses. In 2016, I wrote a piece called “Charles Davies Sherborn and the Indexer’s Club”.¹ It was about Sherborn and his phenomenal *Index Animalium*, but it presented to the reader a little-known “club” to which a number of us bibliographers belong. We are a part of that “Indexer’s Club”. Essentially we are a group of like-minded people who have a passion/addiction for making order out of chaos and facilitating others with the results of that order. Sherborn not only compiled an index of animal names; he also created bibliographies. Indexing as such was his lifelong passion. The famous ornithological bibliographer Elliot Coues in 1897 gave the quote “*Bibliography is a necessary nuisance and horrible drudgery that no mere drudge can perform. It takes a sort of inspired idiot to be a good bibliographer and his inspiration is as dangerous a gift as the appetite of the gambler or dipsomaniac—it grows with what it feeds upon, and finally possesses its victim like any other invincible vice.*” Sherborn and others in our “Indexer’s Club” exemplify this passion/addiction. To be able to walk in his footsteps is an honor and privilege. We enjoy making order out of chaos and help save the time of others by presenting the results of our research for their use.

Aasheesh Pittie has done the ornithological world a huge service by gathering into one place and putting into order these works dealing with birds in South Asia, a biodiversity hotspot with huge ramifications on the health of our planet.

— Neal L. Evenhuis

10 December 2021



¹ Evenhuis, N. L., 2016. Charles Davies Sherborn and the “Indexer’s Club”. In: Michel, E., (ed.). *Anchoring biodiversity information: From Sherborn to the 21st century and beyond*. ZooKeys 550. Bulgaria: Pensoft Publishers. Pp. 13–32.



Plate from John Gould's *Century of Birds from the Himalaya Mountains* (#184 in text).

Preface

Vivat, crescat, floreat Ornithologia Asiae. [May Asian Ornithology live, grow and flourish.]
With apologies to Ernst Mayr. 1952. Records of the Indian Museum L (1): 2.

Every bibliographer's Paradise, like Jorge Luis Borges's (1899–1986), is a kind of library—stacked with endless shelves of bright books; and every bibliographer's agony is Casaubon's dilemma—that undermining fear of missing out from creating a perfect and complete work. Periodical bibliographies marshal scattered information into a convenient form, but the oft-asked question persists—is bibliography of any value in this digital age? Given the enormous propensities of modern computing, whether crunching Himalayan masses of data, or the miraculous indexing proficiency of aggregator sites like Google Search, Google Scholar, Academia.com, Wikipedia, etc., the question is moot. Yet, we know of the great collection in the incinerated Library of Alexandria only through a bibliography compiled by the Alexandrian scholar, poet, and librarian, Callimachus, in his *Pinakes*. Bibliographers trudge up every hill on their lonely pursuits and bring to the table a more comprehensive list. The very order that bibliography creates, facilitates a reader's disorderly use of it, allowing her to dart directly to a subject in the middle of the work, and thence browsing asequentially through it. Bibliographers accumulate, assimilate, interlace, and organize myriad works from their chosen fields, presenting the curious reader a summation to digest, the oblivious researcher a fructuous springboard, and the stressed librarian a *vade mecum*. Such ardour may not yet have a digitizing replica. But the digital world expands the availability of various forms of publications, ensuring that published books and digital media continue their tango for many more years to come, and bibliography flourish.

Several ornithological bibliographies do exist (Pittie 2010: 16–17), but none that specialize in the literature of South Asian birds. This monograph is a companion volume to *Birds in books: three hundred years of South Asian ornithology—a bibliography* (Pittie 2010), in which I had enumerated 1,715 works published between 1713 and 2008. Its 535 entries prove that bibliography is never complete; that the *drudgery* never ends. In the main it contains bibliographic details of publications from 2008 to 2021, but also includes several volumes that had either not been included in the earlier work, or lacked sufficient details. Inskipp (2010) had rightly pointed out that publications of the Zoological Survey of India were almost absent in the 2010 work. I have now added 136 works from this Government of India organisation, which I could access on their website, though they have published more. Sangha & Divyabhanusinh (2011) added 359 works that were not listed by me in 2010, which they thought belonged in an ornithological bibliography of South Asia. For researchers of South Asian ornithology, a large (35,000+ entries), keyword-based, online database (a work in progress), encompassing all forms of publications, can be found at <http://www.southasiaornith.in/>, and a searchable bibliography of Sri Lankan ornithology, compiled by C. D. Kaluthota, and updated up to 24 May 2010, is located at <https://sites.google.com/site/biblioslbirds/home>.

If there has been a change in the drift of South Asian ornithological publications from 2008, it surely is the increasing number of regional works by new authors. The widespread availability of digital photography and sound recording equipment, and the easy access to, and reach of, digital media for reference and consultation have emboldened and encouraged birders to publish localized works that enhance the matrix of our ornithological knowledge. Collaborative, focused Citizen Science projects have resulted in atlases that map regional bird distributions. Online birding data platforms, like eBird, have revolutionized the power of networking, and the tremendous potential of using the birding records of millions of birders across the world to efficiently process information on the 'distribution, abundance, habitat use, and trends' of global bird populations for better understanding of their movements, and in assisting administrators in taking informed, meaningful conservation decisions. The first report on the state of India's birds (SoIB 2020) is indeed a landmark publication hatched from this dovetailing of individual birding checklists and the power of computational algorithms, opening exciting possibilities in local, country-wide, and global cooperation for the benefit of birds and human societies.

The scope of this monograph remains true to that of *Birds in books* (2010), following the same pattern and sequence of chapters, therefore needing no further elaboration. The one major difference between the two compilations is my dependence on Portable Document Files (PDFs) in this volume (125). Concepts of classical bibliography are often compromised when dealing with PDFs, e.g., size of a page, and pagination, or the lack of, as blank pages are often not scanned. How technology will modify our experience of books in the future cannot be predicted. Will it ever succeed in recreating their charming antiquity over the longue durée of time's flipped pages, their physicality that panders the senses—the tactile memory of paper, the haunting strangeness of an untrimmed edge, the honey rash on a foxed copy, the aroma of disintegrating lignin, the breathtaking grace of a nineteenth century lithograph, the joyous vision of library bookshelves, the chimeral feeling of being 'book-wrapped'²? A digital tsundoku is incomprehensible to me.

This bibliography has been enhanced several notches with the contributions of two of my heroes: Neal L. Evenhuis's foreword, and Murray Duncan Bruce's introduction. Neal's enthusiasm for indexing, having produced prodigious and scholarly bibliographies (elsewhere in this volume), makes him a rare touchstone for those traversing this desolate path. Murray's scholarship in ornithological history, especially its bibliography, and matters of nomenclature and classification (see Bruce 2003) is highly valued, and evident from his innumerable publications. Here he paints a broad overview of bibliography and the bird book, which will certainly whet the reader's

² Reid Byers's term for a particular feeling engendered upon entering a book room, as mentioned during his talk on The Private Library at The Grolier Club, on 20 September 2021. Webpage URL: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lvSmJFX0rA&t=726s>. [Accessed on 19 December 2021.]

appetite for discovering the fascinating world of ornithological publications in the main section of this volume. Both bring to their work an elusive meraki. I am deeply indebted to them, and humbled by their forthright response to my requests.

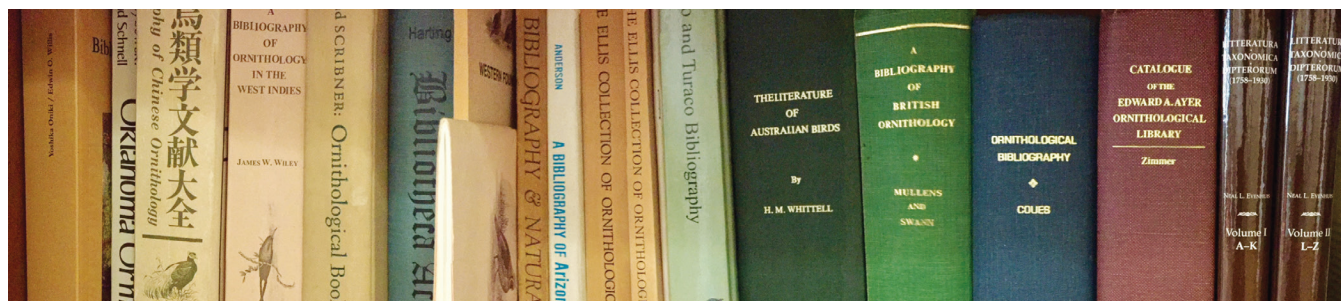
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—Aasheesh Pittie

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Abbreviations used in the bibliography

abbrev.—abbreviation/s
 add.—addendum / addenda
 advt.—advertisement / advertising matter
 B&W.—black & white
 bis—repeated / twice
 BNHS—Bombay Natural History Society
 cf. (confer)—compare
 c. (circa)—about
 cm—centimeters
 col.—coloured
 conts.—contents / list of contents
 dat.—dated
 ded.—dedication
 ed.—editor / editorial / edition
 fig.—figure
 fold.—folded / folding (or doubled)
 frontisp.—frontispiece
 half-tit.—half-title / subtitle
 Hbk.—hardback edition
 illus. / illustrs.—illustrated / illustrations
 imp.—imprint
 innum.—innumerable
 introd.—Introd. / introductory

IUCN—International Union for Conservation of Nature
 JBNHS / J. Bombay Nat. Hist. Soc.—Journal of the Bombay Natural History Society
 l. (ll.)—leaf (leaves)
 monochr.—monochrome
 p. (pp.).—page (pages)
 par.—paragraph
 Pbk.—Paperback ed.
 PDF.—Portable Document Format
 photo—photograph
 pl. (pll.).—Plate (plates)
 portr.—portrait
 pr. l. (ll.)—Preliminary leaf (leaves)
 pref.—Preface
 quot.—quotation / quoted
 q.v. (quod vide)—which see
 sic.—thus, so
 sp.—species (single)
 spp.—species (multiple)
 ssp.—sub-species
 text-fig.—text-figure
 Tit./tit.—title / title-page
 vol. (vols.)—volume (volumes)



Plate from John Gould's *Century of Birds from the Himalaya Mountains* (#184 in text).

Introduction: Bibliography and the bird book

Murray D. Bruce

Coming to ornithology as a casual bird watcher, a serious research ornithologist, or somewhere in between, the first thing to do is acquire information. These days that means searching online. The Internet has come a long way in about 30 years, and particularly during the last two decades, as we can be online all the time. The days of dial-up and modems are receding into history, but it was an exciting thing for its time. As digital technology becomes increasingly sophisticated and complex it is easy to think that everything one needs is somewhere online.

Depending on what you need, you may find what you want online. However, dig a little deeper, and you can soon discover that there is much to find that is not available at the click, or double click, of a mouse, or upon touching an app icon. For birds, the bibliography here, of which this is a brief attachment, reveals a world of multifarious materials beyond the digital resources we take for granted at times.

This comprehensive list is complementary to an earlier bibliography by Mr Aasheesh Pittie, published in 2010. What we must first appreciate is that birds and books go together. To study birds in the field we have field guides; handy books for the larger pocket or travel bag. These were once sparse luxuries, now they come in a multitude of styles and coverage and types of illustrations (photos, painted plates of diagnostic views of birds, or a mix). They can be global, countrywide, or focus on a local area.

As the bibliography here demonstrates, we are spoiled for choice. And even more spoiled with online websites and resources, as well as blogs, vlogs, and an array of social media apps to share one's experiences and information. The interconnectedness of the book and the online world is the key. The book is the starting point. We need a reliable means of knowing what we seek and maybe see. Field guides are exactly that, a means to identify, if possible, what is seen out in the open. Some information may be available beyond what the birds may look like, with brief details on where the birds are found and maybe what their typical habitats will be. Regional guide books can provide much more detail on what is known to occur and where it may be found and supplemented with more general information, on things like behaviour, calls, breeding, and nesting.

Many people, through opportunity, make long-term studies of the birds where they live; even if it simply means jotting down anything that happens as an incidental part of your life. Now maybe a particular bird appeals and you want to know more. Many bird families have books devoted to them. Or multi-volume series, often called handbooks, are also helpful. About 25 years ago field guides to bird families were in vogue and many appeared, but unless you have large bags for travel, leave these at home, and, in general, while the illustrations remain useful, texts in parts may become a little dated. Here is where online sources may come in handy, from Wikipedia, which is constantly updated, to specialist sites for everything from bird lists to bird songs. Learn what is in an area and what the birds sound like. These calls can be selected and downloaded or recorded onto a device that allows them to be played in the field. Many birds respond to calls and it can allow close-up views.

Beyond the range of more general reference material in print and online, for those wishing to dig deeper, there are speciality books on birds, covering a variety of topics from behaviour, breeding biology, ecology, anatomy, physiology, and more recently DNA, to cater to most needs. There also are historical studies of places and people and their birds. Once one begins the search for a desired title, beyond the resources of accessing new books from bookshops, are book selling websites such as Amazon. These websites may also include second hand books, such as eBay. All in all, the Internet has changed the landscape for searching for that elusive second hand book. Instead of frustrated browsing or leaving want lists with bookshops we can search and find what we want through websites accessing hundreds of bookshops around the world. In this role the digital world nicely supports the world of print.

Here we focus on books, including book length papers or monographs. But books can be small and short or large and lengthy. It can be a loose definition in some ways but this is how it has been worked out for the bibliography covered here. Of course, information on birds today usually begins in journals, magazines, and other types of periodical publications. They too have print and online issues, and indeed, for scientific publications there is a big shift towards digital only publications in recent years. It's all about memberships of societies, clubs or other organisations, buying in local shops, or subscribing to some online services, but some services are usually best available through an institution like a university or college. Many, however, are free. Sometimes it's about 'seek and ye shall find'. But here we focus on books. Journals are another story, still with book connections.

Bird books and history: A quick survey

All knowledge was laid down in books for centuries. Or at least, everything large or small was a type of book, if seen as an extended coverage of a topic in writing. Bibliography derives from the Ancient Greek term βιβλος (biblos, or byblos), the word for sacred writing, or a scroll, which is a type of book, or a book more as we know it today. Turning our attention to books about birds as the whole subject or a significant part reveals their long connection to writings, both ancient and modern.

Ancient knowledge of birds from classical times was part of the sum of knowledge gathered into multi-book or multi-volume compendia. As reproducing copies meant the slow process of hand transcription, copies were scarce and valuable, and could be fragile.

Recopying was needed regularly and slowly these documents spread amongst the few literate to use them, particularly the clergy. By the early Middle Ages in Europe, monasteries were notable as sources of copying books on a systematic scale, allowing an increase in copies and over time filling important libraries and collections. Birds being part of one's everyday life gave them an importance for the study of God's creations in the world. Several important works were influential over the centuries when texts were hand-copied and libraries were usually small, but valued. However, much was derivative from what survived of ancient texts, with added commentaries, such as *De arte venandi cum avibus*, a 13th century treatise by Frederick II of Hohenstaufen (1194–1250), later printed, in part, and as recently as 1943, with an association with falconry. It was more than that. As was characteristic of his times, Frederick began by commenting on a classical text, the *Liber de animalibus* of Aristotle (384–322 BC).

What had survived of the classical world was partly through the efforts of a few notable collectors, but particularly as a consequence of Arabic translations of those that reached Muslim centres of scholarship, such as Baghdad. These in turn found their way back to Europe through Islamic Spain or trading centres. A few Europeans travelled to Muslim lands to learn. Translations into Latin followed and these were available for the first efforts at printing with movable type by the 15th century. Within decades, dissemination spread information far and wide. Birds were always a topic of interest but first through bestiaries, collections of myths and legends mixed with ancient observations and their interpretations by different scholars over the centuries.

What was known in the classic texts of the ancient world remained unchanged, through to the 16th century, but was accompanied by the legacy of the centuries of commentaries, much of which also eventually would be printed. The first book devoted to birds was written by William Turner (1508?–1568) in 1544, entitled *Aves praecipuarum*, not surprisingly, a commentary not only on the works of Aristotle, but also of the 1st century Pliny the Elder (23/24–79), along with some original observations, earning him the title of Father of Ornithology.

This was soon followed by encyclopaedia-like compilations, but too much was uncritically gathered to fill volumes, such as the *Historia animalium* of Conrad Gessner (1516–1565), published in the 1550s, the bird volume in 1555. Information provided was still much as it had been for centuries. New information, particularly original observations, were scarce until later in the 17th century, notably in the work of Francis Willughby (1635–1672), assisted by John Ray (1627–1705), who published a comprehensive coverage in *Ornithologiae* (1676), and in English two years later.

All began to change as the 18th century brought forth a succession of illustrated works bringing together details not only of European birds, but also a miscellany of exotic creatures then arriving in Europe from India, the Americas, and other far-flung destinations. The general works of Albin and Edwards are detailed below, but there were also serious efforts at regional studies, notably Mark Catesby's (1683–1749) *Natural History of Carolina, Florida and the Bahama Islands* (1731–1743), a significant achievement in its time.

The 17th century also saw the emergence of the journal, as we know it today. Their appearances coincided with the founding of various scientific societies around Europe, such as The Royal Society in Britain, founded in 1660, today the oldest scientific institution in the world. Yet, despite the access now available for publishing shorter articles, the book format prevailed, with books of all sizes catering to changing markets. However, journals remained relatively few in number until, in the 19th century, a convergence of improved printing technologies brought costs down and later, improved education opportunities elevated literacy rates. For example, in Britain there was a surge in journals in the 1830s with cheaper printing technology. With rising literacy rates by the 1870s newspapers also expanded. And through all of this, books of all types flourished.

For most of the 18th century books dominated as a source of scientific information. Bird books were popular because birds were aesthetically pleasing subjects for illustration, especially with hand-coloured plates. However, to save money, copies of books with uncoloured plates were also sold, and for cheaper works wood engravings also found an important place. Earlier illustrated books on birds did not adhere to any particular classification, and indeed what there was usually meant dividing birds between large and small and water and land birds. Finding a way to classify birds began in ancient times and by the 18th century some serious attempts were on offer. The deceptively simple approach, devised and finally worked out, by Carl Linnaeus (1707–1778) succeeded. Linnaeus was primarily a botanist and his final, two word classification was first applied to plants in 1753, then he applied it consistently to animals in 1758, with the 10th edition of his *Systema Naturae*. This book marks the beginning of zoological nomenclature as we use it today, a two-name system where every species is designated in a genus and with its own species name, such as the Great Indian Hornbill *Buceros bicornis*.

From the 1760s this classification structure slowly found favour in ornithology. However, the dominance of the French works of Georges-Louis Leclerc, the Comte de Buffon (1707–1788), based at the Royal Museum in Paris, and his colleagues, kept the old traditions alive with how birds were grouped in books, preferring his own way to classify birds, using French names, as demonstrated in his ten volume *Histoire naturelle des oiseaux* (1770–1783). These competing approaches lasted into the early 19th century as French illustrated works were at their height of popularity under the Emperor Napoleon Bonaparte (1769–1821). His downfall in 1815 saw a move away from big colourful books for a brief while and the emergence of more focused regional studies of birds.

However, the popularity of large, illustrated books simply shifted from France to England, where the 1820s–1830s saw, amongst other emerging works, Jean-Jacques Audubon's (1785–1851) double elephant folio *Birds of America* (1827–1838) dazzle its subscribers with large, life like poses. His work coincided with the popularity of the new lithographic process, etching the drawings directly onto stone. The pioneer for birds was William Swainson (1789–1855) in a few small works, notably his two series of *Zoological Illustrations* (1820–1833). Beginning in 1830 John Gould (1804–1881) brought the focus to large illustrated works and his 50 years of producing beautifully illustrated folios of birds was underway. His influence also led to many smaller publishing enterprises ranging from Edward Lear (1812–1888) on parrots through a multitude of hand-coloured lithographs in parts of works under subscription that filled many libraries. These continued for a hundred years, through to the last effort by Gregory Mathews (1876–1949) finishing with his last supplementary volume to his *Birds of Australia* in 1936.

In between there was a succession of books covering more popular markets of regional studies, through to more technical works

like reports of collections and studies of bird groups. These culminated in the 27 volume *Catalogue of the Birds in the British Museum* (1874–1899), organised and with a large part of it written by Richard Bowdler Sharpe (1847–1909), then head of the bird Department at the British Museum, but only completed by recruiting outside help. It was a landmark work that in effect attempted, with considerable success, to document all the birds then known and in the process became a standard reference of its kind, with Sharpe providing an updated summary *Hand-list of the Birds of the World* in five volumes (1899–1909). The tone was set. Major regional reference works on all continents dominated the early 20th century. These were extravagant multi-volume works that continued up to the 1940s and some beyond. However, much was changing in the classification of birds and within twenty years an update to Sharpe's work was needed. Thus a new list of all the birds of the world, organised at Harvard University by James Lee Peters (1889–1952), began to appear in 1931. Peters knew he could not finish it alone but reached volume seven before he died in 1952. Eventually the series, as a co-operative effort overseen by Ernst Mayr (1904–2005), was completed in 15 volumes in 1986, with a 16th as an overall index in 1987, including a second edition of the first volume. It forms the foundation of what we have today.

Regional works continued but also transformed into more compact reference tools aiding identification firstly for collectors, often of eggs. By the 1940s bird watching had grown in popularity. Indeed, bird watching was also a focus of early efforts at guidebooks going back into the late 19th century. Their popularity as we know them began in the 1930s when the text opposite plate format was initiated. The growth of such books was relatively slow into the 1970s. In the last part of the 20th century these books enjoyed considerable growth in style and sheer numbers. By this century the proliferation of bird books covered everything, with guides and regional references maintaining their valued place.

Bird books and history: The Indian Subcontinent

The focus here shifts to the Indian Subcontinent. The scrupulous detail of the bibliography seen here, as well as its earlier 2010 companion, are more than just a bibliography but a superbly crafted series of documentations of a comprehensive range of publications with supplementary information. Some historical highlights can be taken from them, as well as looking at the growth in ornithology as a popular activity.

Birds have always been a conspicuous and popular component of the Indian fauna from its earliest days of contact with Europeans. However, the sight of a live rhinoceros or elephant reaching Europe during those early decades of contact made significant impacts for the short period while the individual animals sent by ship survived, but the memories lived on in paintings and engravings, especially, in books.

The first book featuring Indian birds in any detail was a list of birds from the Madras [= Chennai] area and published in 1713 by John Ray, which was presented in a condensed update of his 1676 book with Francis Willughby, now called the *Synopsis methodica avium*. From the 1730s in England there were several multi-volume series of books of hand-coloured plates featuring a broad miscellany of birds, beginning with Eleazar Albin's (1690–1742) *A Natural History of Birds* (1731–1738, second edition 1738–1740), in three volumes. This was followed by George Edwards's (1694–1773) first book, *A Natural History of Uncommon Birds* (1743–1751), in four volumes. These offered for many a first introduction to exotic species arriving on English shores. These colourful tropical birds came from various places, including India. The European world was changing and images of colourful and strange birds were a notable and conspicuous manifestation of this new era from expanding global trade, as a trickle of the earlier century became an inundation.

We have seen how books on efforts to bring order out of this increasing chaos of nature led to the system of Linnaeus slowly gaining widespread acceptance, despite a singular resistance from France. And it was in France that we see more exotic birds being introduced in a series of colour plates, from Buffon's artists, led by Edme-Louis Daubenton (1730–1785), to accompany his text, forming the *Planches enluminées* (1765–1783) with 973 of 1,008 plates being of birds. In 1801 a series of large colour plate works with texts were initiated by François Levaillant (1753–1824), such as his *Histoire naturelle des perroquets* (1801–1805). Levaillant followed Buffon's view of classifying birds with French names. However, the influence of the Linnaean system of names based on Latin was gaining ground around Europe. Almost all subsequent illustrated books, along with all other books on birds, adopted the new system, which certainly was the case in India.

The various Indian birds brought to light in these early, illustrated works before Linnaeus's system was finally established were now open to the compilers of systematic lists bestowing names following the Linnaean method, which actually began with Linnaeus himself in his expanded 12th edition of *Systema naturae* (1766–1768). Linnaeus tried to cover as much as he could of earlier books, such as the works of Albin and Edwards, amongst many others. A so-called 13th edition of Linnaeus appeared in 1788–1789, compiled by Johann Gmelin (1748–1804), who was able to Latinise the work of Buffon in particular, and notably also *A General Synopsis of Birds* (1781–1785) by John Latham (1740–1837), in six volumes, who only used English names.

Seeing what Gmelin had done, Latham quickly published an *Index ornithologicus* (1790), to Latinise his names, but he was too late and he lost credit for his new birds from his earlier work, but he also was adding new ones and covered some of Gmelin's inconsistencies. Further editions in German, Dutch, and English of these works of Gmelin and Latham followed, and like the old commentaries on classic texts, some additional details were added. The pattern was set as the rules of the Linnaean system, or lack of rules, led to further such naming rivalries, which in one form or another has continued even to the present day. The ensuing chaos of the early 19th century had led to the proposal of international rules by 1842, which are now represented by the International Code of Zoological Nomenclature (4th edition, 1999).

By the 1810s and 1820s there were new classifications designed to accommodate the Linnaean view as the diversity of birds and numbers of species continued to rise. Ornithological activity in India had its modest beginnings revived in the late 18th century, but more as part of the British East India Company seeing the potential of studying the history and natural history and culture of their vast new

possessions. Organising was underway but for birds it was in the hands of a few, like Major-General Thomas Hardwicke (1755–1835), who, during a military career in India from 1778–1823, travelled extensively collecting zoological materials. He also organised a large series of paintings prepared by local artists, with plans for a large work. He published some short papers by the 1810s and planned more in retirement in England. In London he organised their publication with the help of J.E. Gray (1800–1875) at the British Museum. A large selection was published in parts as *Illustrations of Indian Zoology* and bound in 2 volumes (1830–35). An accompanying text was planned but never eventuated. These paintings later went to the British Museum.

Brian Houghton Hodgson (1801–1894) was amongst the pioneers of Indian ornithology, arriving in 1818. His most fruitful period involving bird study was during his time spent in Nepal, mostly as Resident, during 1824–1844. In 1845 he settled in Darjeeling and continued his studies there until leaving India for the last time in 1858. He planned a large work on Nepalese birds in particular and compiled a set of paintings by local artists to illustrate the birds, including many he first reported and named, but this did not happen in his lifetime, although he wrote a preliminary list in 1844 and a catalogue of his collection followed in 1847. More recently, his paintings, kept at the British Museum, have been studied and some published. Biographies and other books have documented his time in India but a book of all his paintings awaits.

Thomas Caverhill Jerdon (1811–1872) arrived in 1836 and spent over 30 years studying birds and other wildlife when not engaged in his medical duties with the military, as assistant surgeon and later Surgeon Major. He succeeded in producing important works on Indian birds, as well as mammals. His first book was *Illustrations of Indian Ornithology* (1843–1847), covering his early work in southern India. His major work, *The Birds of India*, appeared in three volumes in 1862–1864. A pioneering effort that helped with more organised studies of Indian birdlife. It was the standard work for about 30 years.

For around 20 years from 1841 Edward Blyth (1810–1873), hired from England, served as the Curator of the natural history collections of the Asiatic Society of Bengal, based in Calcutta [= Kolkata]. Conditions were poor and he was always underpaid, with no salary increase in all the time he was there. Despite these circumstances Blyth was a very active worker on all vertebrates and published prolifically, mostly in the society's journal. Birds were his special interest and early on he planned a major reference work. For one reason or another it did not happen, but he continued trying to document as much as he could on Indian birds. As part of this he did prepare a book documenting the bird collections by 1849, but his *Catalogue of the Birds in the Museum Asiatic Society* did not appear until 1852 as Blyth kept trying to update the text. However, a work he had nearly completed in his final years in England, *Catalogue of Mammals and Birds of Burma* was published posthumously in 1875 in book form, although actually a special number of his old journal outlet, the *Journal of the Asiatic Society of Bengal*, in Calcutta, with the ornithological portion checked and completed by Lord Walden, later the 9th Marquess of Tweeddale (1824–1878), who had published on Indian birds in his younger days as The Hon. Arthur Hay.

Before Jerdon's time was done a force of nature named Alan Octavian Hume (1829–1912) brought the winds of change to Indian ornithology. He burst on to the scene with a book of his bird observations entitled *My Scrap Book*, in 1869. His enthusiasm was enabled by his roles in influential positions in government, although trying the patience of his bosses at times. He launched his own journal, *Stray Feathers*, in 1872, full of enthusiasm, but setbacks in 1883, most notably the theft of most of his manuscript for a major handbook on Indian birds, scotched his interest in ornithology. *Stray Feathers* lingered until 1888, with Hume desultorily publishing what papers he had left over. The final, eleventh, volume was completed with its index in 1899. Moreover, a twelfth volume, also in 1899, was published as an index of the whole series. We're left to wonder what his handbook may have achieved, but Hume, being unable to recreate what he had lost, and finding it all unbearable, just gave up his role in developing Indian ornithology, selling his specimen collection to the British Museum. However, we may have some idea of what he planned to do through his two reference books, *Nests and Eggs of Indian Birds* (1873–1875; second edition edited by Eugene Oates 1889–1890) and *The Game Birds of India, Burmah and Ceylon* (1879–1881) with Charles Henry Tilson Marshall (1841–1927), in three volumes. He remained active in Indian politics, where he is also commemorated, theosophy and later back in England, botany.

During these years John Gould had begun his famous folio works of bird plates with *A Century of Birds from the Himalaya Mountains* (1830–1832). His later, extended series, *The Birds of Asia*, was wide ranging and extended over 30 years (1850–1883), including the Indian Subcontinent. The slow progress of this series tried the patience of its subscribers and indeed the last three parts were completed posthumously. Its 530 hand-coloured plates filled seven folio-sized volumes. Gould's regional series for Asia, also New Guinea and Australia, unlike his monographs, were primarily intended to showcase recent discoveries as subsequent parts appeared. Gould's period of producing his folio works (1830–1881, continued after his death by Richard Bowdler Sharpe, 1881–1888) coincided with a great age of discovery of new birds as much of the world, particularly the tropical world and other remote corners of the globe, were opened by explorers, surveyors, hunters, collectors, and naturalists.

All these activities, and the need for reference books, led to the British government in India supporting an initiative to produce a *Fauna of British India*, which ultimately filled 81 volumes (1889–1949). The four volumes on birds appeared in 1889–1898, by two naturalists with a passion for ornithology and years of field experience in India, Eugene William Oates (1845–1911), and the first editor of the proposed Fauna series, William Thomas Blanford (1832–1905). Oates already had written an earlier *A Handbook to the Birds of British Burmah* (1883) and later a *Manual of the Game Birds of India* (1898–1899). Blanford, a geologist, had written more general books on his surveys and explorations in Iran and Abyssinia, but with sections on birds.

Just before the Fauna volumes on birds began to appear another book was published, in seven parts, forming two volumes (1887–1890), by James Alexander Murray (1841–1893), called *The Avifauna of British India*. It proved to be less popular than the Fauna volumes, as also its spinoff, *The Avifauna of the Island of Ceylon* (1890). However, the Ceylon [= Sri Lanka] summary provided a useful update in a handier size to the larger work of Colonel Vincent Legge (1841–1918), who's *A History of the Birds of Ceylon* (1878–1880), despite its comprehensiveness and authority, was a large, expensive volume of limited practical use, but nonetheless was an important advance complementing what was being done in India. Legge, in turn, had built on the foundation laid by the first attempt

to summarise the birds of Ceylon by Edward Frederick Kelaart (1819–1860), with support from Edward Blyth, as part of his *Prodromus faunae Zeylanicae* (1852–1853).

With the demise of *Stray Feathers*, the Bombay Natural History Society, founded in 1883, began publishing its journal in 1886, which continues today. The British military members, civil servants and others based in India and with an interest in birds were now well supplied with reference material and an outlet for their own observations. Popularisers of Indian birds, including Frank Finn (1868–1932) and Douglas Dewar (1875–1957), began their series of books on various themes on birds around this time. One of Dewar's, entitled *Birds of Himalaya and Kashmir* (1923) was a pioneer type of field guide to birds at hill stations, adapted from the Fauna volumes, and included some brief original field observations. Frank Finn provided small, handy-sized guidebooks for game birds and amongst others, a popular local guide, *Birds of Calcutta* (1918 and later editions).

With much renewed activity, an update to the bird volumes of the Fauna series began as early as 1922, and was completed in eight volumes by 1930. Edward Charles Stuart Baker (1864–1944) organised and wrote the whole enterprise, with help along the way as needed. He had joined the Indian Police Service in 1883, rising to the rank of Inspector-General, and returning to England in 1911, retiring in 1925. Before embarking on the Fauna series he had written extensively on Indian birds, including a book on *Indian Pigeons and Doves* (1913). This was a companion to two books on game birds that began as series in the Bombay journal, *Indian Ducks and their allies* (1908) and *The Game-birds of India, Burma and Ceylon* (1921–1930) in three volumes. The other book based on a series was his *A Hand-list of the Genera and Species of Birds of the Indian Empire* (1923), the framework for his Fauna volumes. One must bear in mind that this remarkable achievement was despite Stuart Baker losing an arm to a leopard in Assam, as well as being tossed by a Gaur and trampled by a rhinoceros during hunting expeditions; and he excelled at tennis.

And to cap it off, he wrote a further four volumes on the *Nidification of Indian Birds* (1932–1935), and one on *Cuckoo Problems* (1942). 'Nidification' is an unused term these days, referring to details of nests, which, at one time, were often collected. These studies were associated with egg collecting. The study of eggs is called *öology*. Egg collecting was particularly popular as an amateur pursuit and the use of the term 'öology' was perhaps to dignify the activity, as sounding more scientific—which also was popular in Europe, North America, and Australia, including specialist journals. Due to changing attitudes to conservation and the introduction of protection laws, egg collecting faded as a hobby or went underground. However, these collections retain much historical value and it is regrettable that when egg collecting became officially illegal in many areas, some collectors chose to destroy their collections. Fortunately, many found their way into museum collections.

Hugh Whistler (1889–1943) spent the period 1909–1926 serving with the Indian Police and was active with bird observations and recording and documenting his work on Indian birds. During 1917–1920 Claud Buchanan Ticehurst (1881–1941) was in India and met Whistler. In England they worked together on various ornithological projects but particularly on Indian birds. They helped with writing reports of ornithological surveys in India in the 1930s. Whistler also completed an *Avifaunal Survey of Ceylon* (1944). They also planned for a major handbook on Indian birds but both died during World War II. Whistler was well known for his *Popular Handbook of Indian Birds* (1929 and later editions).

The contributions of Indian naturalists and ornithologists began in small ways in the 19th century in terms of being credited for their work, although not widely encouraged by the British. Yet also during the 19th century the role of local expertise was vital in many collecting activities. For example, during Hodgson's time in Nepal he was not allowed outside the Kathmandu Valley and relied on local help to acquire specimens from other areas. In the wake of the launch of the Fauna series there were changes, notably with faunal surveys in the 1930s. Their most prominent member became the future doyen of Indian ornithology, Sálím Moizzudin Abdul Ali (1896–1987). The surveys he helped to make were part of filling in gaps exposed by the Fauna volumes. Sálím Ali also began writing popular and faunal books. His two most popular books, the *Book of Indian Birds* (1941) and *Indian Hill Birds* (1949) went through many editions.

With the end of World War II and the end of British occupation, there emerged a new era of bird books, but the old British presence continued for a while. Ali had begun his faunal books with the *Birds of Kutch* (1945), later Gujarat (1956), followed by Travancore & Cochin (1953), later Kerala (1969) and Sikkim (1962), and an eastern Himalayan field guide (1977). Other books included *The Breeding Birds of Kashmir* (1952) by Richard Sydney Patrick Bates (1897–1961) & Ernest Herbert Newton Lowther (1890–1952), and *The Birds of Saurashtra* (1955) by Raol Shree Dharmakumarsinhji (1917–1986). Sidney Dillon Ripley II (1913–2001), who had been actively working on Indian birds since World War II, often with Ali, brought out his *Synopsis of the Birds of India and Pakistan* in 1961 (second edition, 1982). This laid the groundwork for the next phase of ornithological progress, leading to a monumental ten-volume *Handbook of the Birds of India and Pakistan* (1968–1974), jointly authored by Ali & Ripley. In the wake of the handbook Martin Wedgwood Woodcock (1935–2019) provided the first field guide style book for the Indian Subcontinent with his *Collins Handguide to the Birds of the Indian Subcontinent* (1980).

In the meantime, Ceylon also had its own books to follow after Legge and Murray. Walter Ernest Wait (1878–1961) wrote a series of articles in the local museum journal and later put them into book form as a *Manual of the Birds of Ceylon* (1925, second edition, 1931). There also was a popular *Familiar Birds of Ceylon* (1925, second edition, 1933) by Cicely Gwynne Kershaw (1903–1987), who, later, as Cicely Lushington, upgraded her small book to a more comprehensive study, *Bird Life in Ceylon* (1949). *A Guide to the Birds of Ceylon* (1955 and later editions) by author and artist George Morrison Henry [or Reid Henry] (1891–1983) was a popular work for many years. Earlier, Henry had provided *Coloured Plates of the Birds of Ceylon*, in four parts (1927–1935), as a companion work to accompany Wait's *Manual*. Major William Watt Addison Phillips (1892–1981), a tea estate manager, produced a small series of four popular, illustrated booklets and a checklist in 1949–1961. The 1952 checklist (1953) was updated in 1975 and 1978. More recently, there have been two notable field guides for Sri Lanka by Sarath Kotagama and Prithiviraj Fernando (1994), and John Harrison (1999).

Elsewhere, to give some notable examples, we have a Nepal field guide by the father and son team of Robert Leland Fleming Sr

(1905–1987) & Jr, illustrated by Lain Singh Bangdel (1909–2002) (1976 and three more editions), the 1972 monograph *Tibet and its birds* by Charles Vaurie (1906–1975), a two volume reference work on *The Birds of Pakistan* (1991–1992) by Thomas Jones Roberts (1924–2013), *Birds in Bangladesh* by William G. Harvey (1990) was a useful update from earlier checklists going back to 1967, trying to identify what is within the country's boundaries and since revised by Kazi Zaker Husain's *Birds of Bangladesh* (2003), and *The Birds of Bhutan* (1996) by Salim Ali, Biswamoy Biswas (1923–1994) and Dillon Ripley, issued through the work of the Zoological Survey of India; also, *The Birds of Burma* (1940 [most copies lost during the Japanese occupation of Burma (1942–1945)] , three more editions 1953–2001) by Bertram Evelyn Smythies (1912–1999). There was a revision of the Ali & Ripley handbook, a second edition (1978–1999; paperback edition, 2001) and there were spinoffs, including condensed and large 'compact editions' (1983, second edition, 1987) and a field guide variant with new plates: *A Pictorial Guide to the Birds of the Indian Subcontinent* (1983). These were followed by a new comprehensive single volume work on *The Birds of the Indian Subcontinent* by Richard Grimmett, Carol Inskipp and Tim Inskipp (1998). This was later revised and reworked as associated field guides on parts of India, Bhutan, etc., in multiple editions, and languages, by the same author team. Other guides and regional works also continue to appear, notably Bikram Grewal's *Birds of the Indian Subcontinent* (2000, third, much revised, edition), and the *Birds of South Asia: The Ripley Guide* by Pamela Cecile Rasmussen and John C. Anderton (two volumes, 2005, second edition, 2012).

As we now see, we are increasingly spoiled for choice by both regional and global coverage, in particular, *The Handbook of the Birds of the World*, edited by Josep del Hoyo, Andrew Elliott, Jordi Sargatal & David Christie (17 volumes, 1992–2013; continuing with online updates by subscription at <https://birdsoftheworld.org/bow/home>). This singular achievement represents the first time that all species of a major animal group were illustrated in a single work. Indeed, there is a solid foundation to build on.

Bird books and digital alternatives: Are there any?

And spoiled for choice in more ways than one. Not only a heritage of books and other publications but an online, digital world to tap into. Social media, such as Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter, to name but a few of the better known outlets, also are integrated with websites for organisations of many kinds today, including ornithological, from technical journals to sites to record your latest birdwatching list.

From a technical perspective, the exponential growth in publications is greatly facilitated by digital publication. Indeed, many scientific websites are only offering their publications in digital formats, most commonly as PDF's. However, it's not all there for the asking. Many sites of member organisations like ornithological societies are subscription based, although increasingly, many are making old issues of their publications available online, usually for free. There also are commercial journal sites that rely on institutional subscriptions that are best accessed through something like a university library. Nonetheless, by exploring around more recent publications may be available than one might realise. The bulk of this is serial, or journal, publication. To be up to date one needs to see the advance appearances of papers on websites. Books come later and with copyright restrictions, much is inaccessible online; sometimes a few preview pages may be available from websites such as Amazon.

Copyright restrictions also mean that many books are inaccessible online. As most major sites are US-based, their content is subject to US copyright laws, meaning generally that access is after about 90 years. For example, on the Biodiversity Heritage Library website, many serial publications have their content discontinued around 1921–1923; but there are exceptions. As also, some books of later dates may be found online. However, for most recent books, i.e., post-1924, but sometimes later, one needs to buy or borrow copies to use.

For birdwatching purposes, there not only are sites to record bird lists, but also ones where calls can be downloaded to aid birdwatching and also recorded calls can be added. Also there are phone apps to aid just about everything these days. One innovation to watch for is that of a field guide as an app. These already are available. Books also can condense information and offer QR codes to lead to access of more information. Such ideas began earlier in the computer age with books including discs with supplementary information. First, so-called floppy discs, then digital discs (CDs, DVDs). Books also can be digital, of course, and read with devices like Kindle. Or books can be provided on thumb, flash, or USB drives. In addition, books as downloadable PDF's then gets back to searching sites.

As one who began in the days of not only much more limited information, but limited in how it could be obtained, even available publications were far fewer. This was the early 1960s. Nonetheless, with patience one could acquire what books were available and then seek some of earlier vintage for personal use, or find a well-stocked library. Accessing journals was limited, too, even with library access outside of a university campus or museum or, again, a well-stocked library, such as a state library. Membership of several organisations helped the process. Watching how things have changed over the decades has not only been about the better availability of information but also the increasing amount of it. I once read that all literature since 1970 is more than all that came before – and I read that about 20 years ago!

As an example of change, there has been a revolution in the classification of birds. The rise of biochemical means of studying birds, particularly their DNA and genetic codes, has seen classifications turned on their head, and just about every other position. And the numbers of the papers concerned has now reached epidemic proportions. There are competing classifications representing what we know of the composition of global birdlife. While there is much consensus, some parts are in flux, revised, reworked, and then revised again. Techniques for interpreting data continue to evolve. This ever-changing way birds can be listed has impacted guidebooks and other sources. For many years the sequence of bird families in a list was as predictable as, alphabetical order. Now nothing seems to be predictable.

Progress not only in the study of birds but on how information needed is stored and accessed has indeed been remarkable. Despite all the marvels of digital technology there is still a place for the book. The two resources working together, seems assured for some time yet.

While the academic world is increasingly trending towards digital alone, traditional publishing continues apace. In the end we must find a balance between working from screens and working from actual physical, printed pages. For all the marvellous advantages of digital progress, the book is not yet dead and still has a long life ahead. Everything old can be new again. It is an exciting time to be studying birds.

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Activities at Colony No. 1, were marked this morning by the presence of several females. Immediately one of these appeared, there was general commotion among the cocks, who strutted after her from branch to branch, often chasing after her when she flew away to a nearby tree. The females thus driven off, returned again & again. Their object appeared to be to inspect the progress of the building work, and one female would visit several nests successively while the males were away to fetch material.

In Colony No. 2 there was only 1 nest where the female was also working, the cock on the outside & she within. The work on the interior is done by the birds sitting on the cross-bar, & the purpose of this being put in at an early stage in the construction appears to be to enable work on the interior. In this case where the female was also working, there were frequent disagreements between the pair.

Watched colony No. 1 for 3 hours. Females arriving & entering nests. Do they mate by establishing possession of a nest? A pair of Arremonops malabaricus came & made itself at home in the colony, to the extent of 1 bird entering a half built nest & sitting on the cross-bar, while the other perched on the dome! Owner was

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1. **Achar, K. Prabhakar & Shivashankar.**
2012. *Birds of southern coastal Karnataka*. Karkala, Bhuvanendra Nature Club-India.
 Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover); pp. i–xvi, 1–240, 1 portr. (B&W), photographs 1–224+1–8 (col.), photos (monochr., several), text-figs. (several).
Contents: 1 map (inside front cover, col.); tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Dedication (p. iii, portr., of Salim Ali and his protege S. A. Hussain); Foreword (pp. iv–vii, by Prof. Arunachalam Kumar in English and Kannada); Pref. (pp. viii–xiii, by Dr. K. Prabhakar Achar & Shivashankar, dated March, 2012); Conts. (pp. xiv–xv); Section 1: Introduction (pp. 1–4); Bird life (pp. 5–14); Birdwatching (pp. 15–21); Bird migration (pp. 22–27); Breeding and nesting in birds (pp. 28–33); Section 2: Section 1 in Kannada (pp. 34–60); Section 3 (English and Kannada versions): Synopsis of birds of southern coastal Karnataka (pp. 61–193); Checklist of birds of southern coastal Karnataka (pp. 194–213); Annexure 1: Bibliography (p. 214, listing 12 references); Annexure 2: About the authors (pp. 215–217); Annexure 3: Index of species (common English names of birds) (pp. 218–233); Format for recording birds identification by the birdwatchers (pp. 236–238).
 This bi-lingual book is a successor to Achar et al. 2000 (see Pittie 2010). It gives brief notes on identification, vocalization, and behaviour.
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2. **Achar, K. Prabhakar & Shivashankar.**
2012. *Coastal Karnataka birders' directory (Dakshina Kannada & Udupi District birdwatchers' directory)*. Karkala, India, S. A. Hussain Memorial Trust.
 Pbk. (9 x 12 cm, with illus. cover); pp. 1–120, 4 innum., photographs (col.), portrs. (B&W.), 1 map.
Contents: Map of southern coastal Karnataka (front inside cover); tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); pref. (pp. 3–11, authors); conts. (pp. 12–17); introd. (pp. 18–27); About the members: Karnataka–Udupi District (pp. 28–71), Dakshina Kanna District (pp. 72–98), Kodagu District (pp. 99–101), Shimoga District (p. 102), Chikmagalur District (p. 103), Uttara Kannada District (pp. 104–105), Bangalore (pp. 106–112), Mysore (pp. 113–114); Kerala State–Kasargod District (pp. 115–117); Goa (p. 117); Madhya Pradesh (p. 118); Maharashtra (pp. 119–120); Major landscapes and waterscapes (inside back cover).
 This is a pocket-sized directory of birdwatchers, listing the following information about each person: a B&W photograph, name, designation/occupation, institution, postal address, phone, e-mail, area of interest, and brief biodata. The introduction has a sub-section entitled, 'Birding places & birds sighted in coastal Karnataka' (incomplete) (pp. 23–27).
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3. **Acland, Richard Dyke (1881–1954).**
1940. *Common birds of the Indian plains*. 1st ed. Bombay, Hospitality Committee.
 8vo, 8 pp, 12 text-figs.
 The author was the Bishop of Bombay, 1929–1947.
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4. **Adams, Francis (1796–1861) & Andrew Leith Adams (1827–1882).**
1859. *On ornithology as a branch of liberal education. Containing notes of all the wild birds which have been discovered in Banchory Ternan, with remarks on such of them as have been found in India*. 1st ed. Aberdeen, UK, John Smith.
 8vo, pp. 1–8.
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5. **Adams, Francis & Andrew Leith Adams.**
1859. *On ornithology as a branch of liberal education. Containing notes of all the wild birds which have been discovered in Banchory Ternan, with remarks on such of them as have been found in India*. 2nd ed. Aberdeen, UK, John Smith.
 8vo, pp. i–viii, 9–35.
Notes: 'Dr. Adams and Dr. A. L. Adams have reprinted, "with a few verbal alterations," a paper read at the late meeting of the British Association in Aberdeen, "On Ornithology as a branch of liberal Education," containing notes on all the wild birds which have been discovered in Banchory Ternan by the former, with remarks upon such of them as have been found in India by the latter gentleman.' [Anon., January 1860. Recent ornithological publications. *Ibis* 2 (1): 89.]
 "Not in BL [=British Library]; Aberdeen, Oxford & Natural History Museum only on Copac [=Consortium of Online Public Access Catalogues, now, Library Hub Discover]. Containing notes of all the wild birds which have been discovered in Banchory Ternan, with remarks on such of them as have been found in India. With an impassioned case for the consideration of Ornithology as a first rate subject: 'This leads us to remark that Ornithology may be regarded and prosecuted as an art, - as a science, and as a subject furnishing materials for the lofty speculations of higher philosophy.'" (From the Jarndyce Antiquarian Booksellers Catalogue CCXV, August 2015, #500, URL: https://www.jarndyce.co.uk/catalogues/pdfs/Jarndyce_Catalogue_215.pdf; accessed on 07 August 2020.)
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6. **Agrawal, V. C. & R. K. Ghose. Eds.**
1995. *Fauna of Tiger Reserve (sic) (Sunderbans, Manas, Palamau, Simlipal)*. Fauna of Conservation Areas, 8. Calcutta, Zoological Survey of India.
 Pbk. (18 x 24 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–vi, 1–127, 4 maps.
Contents: Tit. (p. i); Imp. (p. ii); Foreword (p. iii, by Dr. A. K. Ghosh, Director, ZSI, dated July, 1995, Calcutta); Conts. (p. v); Fauna of Sunderbans Tiger Reserve (pp. 1–46); Fauna of Manas Tiger Reserve (pp. 47–82); Fauna of Palamau Tiger Reserve (pp. 83–103); Fauna of Simlipal Tiger Reserve (pp. 105–127).
 From Sunderbans, the authors list c.260 spp., of birds (pp. 10–23); Manas, c.300 spp., (pp. 54–74); Palamau, c.100+ spp., (pp. 89–94); and Simlipal c.250 spp., (pp. 114–125).
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7. **Ahimaz, Preston.**
2014. *A guide to some urban fauna of India*. Chennai, India, Madras Naturalists' Society.
 Pbk. (13 x 19 cm, with illus., cover), pp. 1–347+5, innumerable photos (col., by various photographers), 7 illus., (by Preston Ahimaz),
Contents: About the author (inside front cover; 2 portr., of author), tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); Conts. (pp. 3–4); Foreword (p. 4, by Romulus Whitaker); Dedication (p. 6); Author's pref. (pp. 7–9); Mammals (pp. 27–38); Birds (pp. 39–119); Reptiles (snakes, lizards, turtles) (pp. 121–146); Amphibians (frogs, toads) (pp. 147–154); Fishes (pp. 155–168); Insects (pp. 169–250); Arachnids (spiders and their kin) (pp. 251–269); Other Arthropods (animals with jointed limbs) (pp. 270–280); Other Invertebrates (animals without backbones) (pp. 281–311); Combined index of common and scientific names (pp. 312–347).
 This is a beginner's guide to nature in urban and suburban spaces in India. The chapter on birds covers 149 species and has 293 col. photos, and illustrations.
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8. **Ahmed, Mohammad Farooq & Syed Ali Ghalib.**
1986. *Field guide to the ducks geese & swans of Pakistan*. Karachi, Zoological Survey Department, Pakistan.
 Pbk. (18.5 x 25 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–32, 9 pll. (col., by Mohammad Sharif Jamal).
Contents: Urdu script and photo (inside front cover); tit. (p. 1, with logo); conts. (p. 2); introd. (p. 3); Classification of Anatidae (pp. 3–4); Status & migration of Anatids (pp. 4–5); Brief description of indigenous species (pp. 5–8); Conservation of waterfowl in Pakistan (pp. 8–10); quotes (p. 11); Distinctive characters of ducks, geese & swans of Pakistan (pp. 12–30); acknowledgement (p. 30); References (pp. 31–32); quote (inside back cover).
 A simple field guide to 35 species of waterfowl found in Pakistan. Lists 17 references.
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9. **Alam, A. B. M. Sarowar, Mohammad Shahad Mahabub Chowdhury & Istiak Sobhan. Eds.**
2012. *Biodiversity of Tanguar Haor: A Ramsar Site of Bangladesh. Volume 1: Wildlife (Amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals)*. Biodiversity of Tanguar Haor: A Ramsar Site of Bangladesh. Dhaka, Bangladesh, IUCN Bangladesh.
 PDF (A4), Pp. i–xii, 1–233, innumerable photos (col.), tables, maps, and text-figs.
Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); Tit. (p. iii); Imp. (p. iv); Contributors (p. v); Pref. (p. vii); by Ishtiaq Uddin Ahmad, dated March 2012, Dhaka); Acknowledgements (p. viii); Acronyms, abbreviation and glossary (p. ix); Table of conts. (pp. x–xi); Introduction (pp. 1–24); Salient geological feature of Tanguar Haor (pp. 25–42); Biodiversity assessment method (pp. 43–52); Present wildlife status in Tanguar Haor (pp. 53–62); Species profile (pp. 63–175); Protocol for biodiversity monitoring (pp. 176–190); References (pp. 191–193); Appendices (pp. 194–226); Index (pp. 227–233).
 Profiles of 76 birds spp., contain brief notes: photo/s, size and weight, facts, description, habit and habitat, breeding, distribution in the world, distribution in Bangladesh, and census status (pp. 72–147). Appendix 1 (pp. 194–) lists 219 spp., of birds (pp. 196–214), enumerating the following details for each: English name, scientific name, local name, national occurrence, national abundance, % local abundance, local appearance status (%), and IUCN global status. Appendix 2 is entitled 'Census status of birds (2008–2012) in Tanguar (sic) Haor (pp. 218–223). Appendix 3: Bird ringing program at Tanguar Haor, 35 spp. (p. 224).
 <PDF copy held. Source: <https://portals.iucn.org/library/sites/library/files/documents/2012-021.pdf>>

10. **Alcock, Alfred William. (1859–1933)**
1902. *A naturalist in Indian seas or, four years wit the Royal Indian Marine Survey Ship "Investigator"*. London, John Murray.
 PDF. Pp. [i]–xxiv, 1–328, 98 ll., Illus., 1–98 (unnum., pp.), 2 maps (one fold-out).
Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); frontisp. (p. iv); tit. (p. v); ded. (p. vii); pref. (pp. ix–x); conts. (pp. xi–xvii); List of illustrations (pp. xix–xxiv); Part I. An introduction, an explanation, and a narrative: Introductory (pp. 3–13); A tedious brief explanation (pp. 14–27); The world beneath the waves (pp. 28–44); A novice in the Andamans (pp. 45–57); On the Orissa coast (pp. 58–72); Summer islands and a summer sea (pp. 73–89); "Many isles and many full strange places" (pp. 90–107); A chapter of accidents, explanations, and digressions (pp. 108–128); Another visit to the Andamans (pp. 129–144); The dark unfathomed caves of

ocean (pp. 145–161); A two-months' cruise in the Laccadive Sea (pp. 162–176); A two-months' cruise in the Laccadive Sea (continued) (pp. 177–192); At Minnikoy: Memorials of a maritime microcosm (pp. 193–205); Zoological gleanings on the Godavari coast (pp. 206–222); Part II. The deep-sea fauna of the Indian Region. Preliminary note (pp. 223–226); Of deep-sea fishes in general, and of those of the Indian Ocean in particular (pp. 227–240); The deep-sea fishes of the Indian Ocean (continued) (pp. 241–251); Of the deep-sea crustacea of the Indian Ocean (pp. 252–264); The deep-sea crustacea of the Indian Ocean (continued) (pp. 265–276); Of the deep-sea mollusca and molluscoida of the Indian Ocean (pp. 277–283); Of the deep-sea echinoderms of the Indian Ocean (pp. 284–290); Of the zoophytes, sponges, and certain other marine invertebrates collected by the "Investigator" in the deep sea (pp. 291–298); Part III. Appendices. Appendix A (pp. 299–307); Appendix B (pp. 309–328).

The zoological aspects in this work mostly comprise accounts of fishes, arthropods, and deep-sea fauna along, and off the shores of India. There is scant information on the ornithology of the areas covered, whether maritime, or island, except a mention of edible-nest swiftlets in the Andamans, and the breeding colony of terns on Pitti Island in the Lakshadweep Archipelago.

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11. Alfred, J. R. B. Ed.

1995. *Fauna of Meghalaya. Part 1. (Vertebrates)*. State Fauna Series, 4. Calcutta, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (17.5 x 23.5 cm), 4 pr. ll., pp. 1–679+1, photos 1–38 (col.), maps (several), line-drawings (innum.)

Contents: Half-tit, tit, imp., foreword (by A. K. Ghosh, dat., November, 1995), conts. (pr. ll); The state of Meghalaya - an overview (pp. 1–22, by J. R. B. Alfred); Mammalia (pp. 23–128, by P. K. Das, R. K. Ghose, T. K. Chakraborty, T. P. Bhattacharyya, & M. K. Ghosh); Aves (pp. 129–377, by N. Majumdar & C. S. Roy); Reptilia (pp. 379–454, by R. Mathew); Anuran (Amphibia) (pp. 455–482, by S. K. Chanda); Pices (pp. 483–606, by Nibedita Sen); Ecology and general faunal resources of some wetlands in Garo Hills (pp. 607–645, by Rashid A. Khan & J. R. B. Alfred); On the survey of selected waterbodies of Ribhoi, Khasi and Jaintia Hills (pp. 647–668, by M. P. Thapa & J. R. B. Alfred); Wildlife and its conservation in Meghalaya (pp. 669–679, by J. R. B. Alfred & S. Chattopadhyay).

In the chapter on Aves, Majumdar & Roy (pp. 129–377) state, 'This paper is mainly based on the collections of birds made by different survey parties of the Zoological Survey of India under the leadership of the following persons during the years 1949–1988' and they list the names of eleven persons who collected birds, 'Besides, stray collections present in the Z.S.I., Calcutta and the Eastern Regional Station, Z.S.I., Shillong, as well as data published in literature have also been included' (pp. 129–130).

A 'Systematic list of birds from Meghalaya State as reported in this paper' lists 540 taxa (pp. 132–151). The systematic accounts (pp. 151–375) include information on nomenclature, common name, material examined, diagnostic characters, measurements, distribution, and remarks.

In their summary to the chapter, they state, 'A list of 541 species and subspecies based on the collection present in the Zoological Survey of India, Calcutta and Eastern Regional Station, Z.S.I., Shillong as well as from literature is given from Meghalaya. It belongs to 233 genera, 57 families and 18 orders' (p. 375). They list 24 references (pp. 375–377).

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12. Alfred, J. R. B. Ed.

1998. *Fauna of Valmiki Tiger Reserve*. Conservation Area Series, 10. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (20 x 28 cm, with illus. cover), pp. [i–vi], 1–84, pll., 1–6 (12 photographs).

Contents: Tit. [p. i]; Imp. [p. ii]; Foreword [p. iii, by J. R. B. Alfred, Calcutta, dated August, 1998]; Conts. [p. v]; Faunal composition with species reference to mammals (pp. 1–41, by S. Chakraborty, T. P. Bhattacharyya & J. K. De); Amphibia (pp. 43–50, by Sukumar Ray); Reptilia (pp. 51–64, by S. Sur, N. C. Gayen, G. Dasgupta & S. Raha); Insecta: Hemiptera (pp. 65–77, by B. Biswas & Animesh Bal); Parasitic nematodes (pp. 79–84, by S. R. Dey Sarkar).

The section on birds (pp. 18–33) contains an annotated list of 145 taxa.

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13. Alfred, J. R. B. Ed.

2002. *Fauna of Tripura (Part 1). Vertebrates*. State Fauna Series, 7. Calcutta, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Hbk. (21 x 28 cm, with illus., cover), pp. [i–iv], 1–365+1, 4 photos (col.), line-drawings 1–4, 1–118, maps (several), text-figs.

Contents: Tit., imp., conts. (pr. ll.); The state fauna of Tripura: an overview (pp. 1–29, by V. T. Darlong & J. R. B. Alfred); Mammalia (pp. 31–46, by T. P. Bhattacharyya & M. K. Ghosh); Aves (pp. 47–158, by N. Majumdar, C. S. Ray, & B. K. Datta); Reptilia (pp. 159–177, by D. P. Sanyal, B. Dattagupta, & N. C. Gayan); Amphibia (pp. 179–190, by A. K. Sarkar, S. Das, & S. Ray); Pisces: freshwater fishes (pp. 191–320, by R. P. Barman); Wetland faunal resources of India (*sic*) (pp. 321–365, by K. Venkatraman, S. R. Das, R. A. Khan, & J. R. B. Alfred).

The 259 taxa of birds listed are based on specimens and the literature, with 25 recorded for the first time from Tripura. Each taxon has specimen data (if any), diagnostic characters, movements, distribution and remarks. The chapter encompasses birds collected in ZSI's surveys in Tripura by V. C. Agrawal (1969–1973), and N. Majumdar (1991). A 'District wise distribution of avian species from Tripura' (pp. 144–158), is a useful addition. Six references listed (pp. 143).

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14. Alfred, J. R. B. Ed.

2005. *Fauna of Manipur (Part-1) vertebrates and animal fossils.* State Fauna Series, 10. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Hbk. (20.5 x 27.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. [i–iv], 1–234, pll., I–XII (col., with 24 photographs), 4 maps (col.).

Contents: Tit., imp., conts. [pp. i–iii]; Fauna of Manipur: An overview (pp. 1–16, by J.R.B. Alfred & Ramakrishna); Mammalia (pp. 17–63, by Ajoy Kumar Mandal, A.K. Poddar & T.P. Bhattacharyya); Aves (pp. 65–117, by B.B. Dutta & B.K. Datta); Reptilia: Squamata (pp. 119–122, by R. Mathew); Amphibia (pp. 123–132, by A.K. Sarkar, P.K. Chandra & S. Ray); Fishes (pp. 133–171, by A.K. Karmakar & A. Das); Animal fossils (pp. 173–234, by T.K. Pal & U.K. Mishra).

In the chapter on Aves (65–117), a table 'Details of collectors and localities' (p. 66) lists Maj. M.I. Roonwal, D.K. Ghosal, and A.K. Mondal. A table (pp. 76–80) gives 'Records of game birds shot in Manipur State, 1910–1932'. The 'Ornithological accounts' (pp. 65–117) contains 586 spp., and gives brief historical details pertinent to Manipur, and of morphometric details of specimens; six references are listed.

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15. Alfred, J. R. B. Ed.

2006. *Fauna of Sikkim. (Part-1). Vertebrates.* State Fauna Series, 9. Calcutta, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Hbk. (21 x 28 cm), 2 pr. ll., pp. 1–214, 1 photo (col.), pll. 1–2 (col. photos), maps, text-figs.

Contents: Tit., imp., conts., (pr. ll.); Fauna of Sikkim: an overview (pp. 1–32, by Ramakrishna & J. R. B. Alfred); Mammalia (pp. 33–76, by S. Chattopadhyay, S. S. Saha, M. K. Ghosh, & V. C. Agrawal); Aves (pp. 77–156, by B. B. Dutta, S. Ghosh, S. Basu-Roy, B. K. Datta, A. K. Sett, Rengasamy Sakthivel, & T. P. Bhattacharyya); Reptilia (pp. 157–171, by D. P. Sanyal, S. Sur, & N. C. Gayen); Amphibia (pp. 173–183, by S. K. Chanda); Fishes (pp. 184–214, by A. K. Karmakar).

The chapter on birds contains an annotated list of 610 taxa found in Sikkim, of which 422 taxa are listed here based on specimens and the literature. Each taxon has specimen data (if any), diagnostic characters, movements, distribution and remarks. Sixteen references are listed (pp. 156).

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16. Alfred, J. R. B. Ed.

2006. *Fauna of Nagaland.* State Fauna Series, 12. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Hbk. (20 x 26.5 cm, with illus. cover), 2 pr. ll., pp. 1–620, maps (col.), photos 1–20 (col., between pp. 460 & 461), 18n photos (between pp. 576–577), line-drawings, text-figs.

Contents: Tit., imp., conts. (pr. ll.); Fauna of Nagaland: an overview (pp. 1–11, by Ramakrishna & J. R. B. Alfred); several chapters on lesser forms of life (pp. 13–392, by various authors); Fishes (pp. 393–425, by A. K. Karmakar & A. Das); Amphibian (pp. 427–432, by S. K. Chanda); Reptilia (pp. 433–460, by Gouri Dasgupta & Sujoy Raha); Aves (pp. 461–578, by S. Ghosh, S. Basu Roy, B. K. Datta, & A. K. Sett); Mammals (pp. 579–620, by J. P. Srivastava, Ajoy Kumar Mondal, & D. K. Biswas).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 461–578) contains 428 taxa, which are listed based on literature. Under each taxon are listed nomenclatural details, common name, diagnostic characters, movements, and distribution. Four colour plates of photos between, pp. 576 & 577, with poor caption editing. Seventeen references are listed (pp. 577–578).

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17. Alfred, J. R. B. Ed.

2006. *Fauna of Arunachal Pradesh (Part-1).* State Fauna Series, 13. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Hbk. (20 x 27.5 cm, with illus. cover), 2 pr. ll., pp. 1–377, maps, text-figs., line-drawings.

Contents: Tit., imp., conts. (pr. ll.); Fauna of Arunachal Pradesh: an overview (pp. 1–20, by Ramakrishna & J. R. B. Alfred); Mammals (pp. 21–68, by J. K. De, Ajoy Kumar Mandal & M. K. Ghosh); Aves (pp. 69–245, by B. B. Dutta & S. Basu Roy); Reptilia (pp. 247–284, by D. P. Sanyal & N. C. Gayen); Amphibia (pp. 285–316, by A. K. Sarkar & S. Ray); Pisces (pp. 317–396, by T. K. Sen).

The present study includes 964 species and subspecies of birds from the state of Arunachal Pradesh divided into four parts.

The first one includes 473 species authentically collected and reliably sighted in the field by the scientists of the survey, out of this 416 are resident, 42 are winter visitors, 11 are summer visitors and 4 uncertain. These encompass birds collected in ZSI's surveys in Namdapha National Park, Arunachal Pradesh from 1997–2001.

The second list of birds includes 282 species and subspecies of birds distributed in the state of Arunachal Pradesh based on further observation and data collected from various sources. Of these, 235 are resident, 42 winter visitors, 3 species are partly resident and partly winter visitor, 1 species each of winter vagrant and summer visitor birds.

The third list includes 43 species and subspecies of birds which are likely to occur in the state of Arunachal Pradesh (Distribution doubtful, needs confirmation). Of these 5 birds are winter visitors. 32 are residents, lone species of straggler and passage migrant, 4 are uncertain species of birds.

The last list includes 157 species and subspecies of birds of which 97 are residents, 51 are winter visitors. 2 partly resident and partly winter visitor and 7 birds have uncertain status. Most of these birds are from the adjacent countries of Bhutan, Myanmar and China, however, a few of them are also from the Western Himalayan country (Pakistan).

The study enumerates the distribution pattern of birds in different ecologically significant areas, wildlife sanctuaries and other

protected areas of the state.

23 references listed (pp. 150–151).

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18. Ali, Sálím. (1896–1987)

1944. *The book of Indian birds*. 3rd (Revised & enlarged) ed. Bombay, Bombay Natural History Society.

Hbk. (12.0 x 18.5 cm, with illus. dust cover), pp. i–xl, 1–438, xli–xlv, 188 pll. (col. by; H.N. Wandrekar, K.B. Sawardekar, Anon.), 5 line drawings, 22 photographs [B&W, by Anon. (17), E.H.N. Lowther (4), R.S.P. Bates (1)], 1 map (fold).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Pref. (pp. iii–v, dated August 1941, by; S.A.); Pref. to the third edition (p. vi, dated July 1944, by; S.A.); Conts. (pp. vii–viii); Introduction (pp. ix–xx); Types of bills (p. xxi); Terms used in description of a bird's plumage and parts (pp. xxii–xxiii); Types of feet (p. xxiv); How to recognize birds in the field (pp. xxv–xi [sic] = xl); species accounts (pp. 2–97, 112–195, 208–259, 272–321, 330–431); Some nests and nesting behaviour (pp. 98–111); Bird migration (pp. 196–207); Flight (pp. 260–271); The usefulness of birds (pp. 322–329); Bird watching (pp. 432–438); Index of species (pp. xli–xlv).

The classic introduction to bird watching for amateurs. The 'Preface to the Second Edition' is dated 'October 1942', and the year on the title page is '1943'. Subsequent editions have erred in carrying the former date when quoting years of publication of the various editions. The corners of the boards and pages are rounded.

Describes 196 taxa, illustrating 188, as in the earlier edition. Each taxon is given one page with a plate on the facing page. 'It differs mainly in the inclusion of an additional chapter on Flight, illustrated with 6 half-tone plates. ... several extra species are also described in short paragraphs' (p. vi).

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19. Ali, Sálím.

1945. *The book of Indian birds*. 3rd (Reprint) ed. Bombay, Bombay Natural History Society.

The classic introduction to bird watching for amateurs.

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20. Ali, Sálím.

1968. *The book of Indian birds*. 8th (Revised and enlarged). Bombay, Bombay Natural History Society.

Hbk. (12 x 18.5 cm, with illus. dust jacket), pp. [i–iv], v–xlv, 1–162, xvii–li, maps 2 (end papers), colour plates 1–64B (D.V. Cowen, J. P. Irani, Robert Scholz), B&W plates 22 (65–86).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); By the same author (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); Pref. (p. v–vi, by; S.A., dat. January, 1968); New sequence of Orders and Families dealt with in this book (pp. vii–ix); Conts. (pp. xi–xii); Introduction (pp. xiii–xxiii); Terms used in description of a bird's plumage and parts (pp. xxiv–xxv); Types of bills (p. xxvi); Types of feet (p. xxvii); How to recognise birds in the field (pp. xxviii–xlv); species accounts (pp. 1–132); Some nests and nesting behaviour (pp. 133–139); Flight (pp. 140–144); Bird migration (pp. 145–151); The usefulness of birds (pp. 152–157); Bird watching (pp. 158–162); Index of species (pp. xvii–li); endpapers [Front: Average annual rainfall of India; Back: Recoveries of ringed birds].

Revised and enlarged edition of the 1941 classic for amateur bird watchers. Covers 264 birds fully described and illustrated in colour. In addition, several other birds are briefly mentioned in their appropriate places. 'The last eight of the sixty four coloured plates were added as supplement to the 6th edition, and therefore do not conform to any systematic arrangement. Two more have been added in the present edition' (p. v).

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21. Ali, Sálím.

1972. *The book of Indian birds*. 9th (Revised). Bombay, Bombay Natural History Society.

Hbk. (12 x 18.5 cm, with illus. dust jacket), pp. [i–iv], v–xlv, 1–162, xvii–li, maps 2 (end papers), colour plates 1–66 (D.V. Cowen, J.P. Irani, Robert Scholz), B&W plates 22 (67–88).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); By the same author (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); Pref. (p. v–vi, by; S.A., dat. June, 1972); Sequence of Orders and Families dealt with in this book (pp. vii–ix); Changes in territorial names (p. x); Conts. (pp. xi–xii); Introduction (pp. xiii–xxiii); Terms used in description of a bird's plumage and parts (pp. xxiv–xxv); Types of bills (p. xxvi); Types of feet (p. xxvii); How to recognise birds in the field (pp. xxviii–xlv); species accounts (pp. 1–132); Some nests and nesting behaviour (pp. 133–139); Flight (pp. 140–144); Bird migration (pp. 145–151); The usefulness of birds (pp. 152–157); Bird watching (pp. 158–162); Index of species (pp. xvii–li); endpapers [Front: Average annual rainfall of India; Back: Recoveries of ringed birds].

Revised and enlarged edition of the 1941 classic for amateur bird watchers. Covers 264 birds fully described and illustrated in colour. In addition several other birds are briefly mentioned in their appropriate places. For the first time in this edition, the sequence of Orders and Families follows Ripley (1961; see Pittie 2010: 617–619). " ... an attempt has been made in the present edition of THE BOOK to modernize the sequence of Orders and Families to accord with the prevailing 'fashion'. This has been largely achieved by appropriate shifting and rearrangement of the plates and text. Despite some remaining inconsistencies, due to the old illustrations having been specially prepared for the superseded classification, the result has been more satisfactory than was at first thought possible. Nevertheless the list showing the new sequence of Orders and Families has been retained from the 8th edition as a corrective where necessary" (p. v). For the first time, Ali names the Bombay Natural History Society as

a likely, recognized central organisation, under whose aegis, Hindi names of birds could be standardised (p. v).
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22. **Ali, Salim & Humayun Abdulali.**

1941. *The birds of Bombay and Salsette*. Bombay, Prince of Wales Museum (Natural History Section).

Hbk. (16.5 x 24 cm, re-bound in half red calf), pp. 1–109, pll. I–XI (B&W photographs, between pp. 4–5, 6–7, 8–9, 14–15, 22–23, 26–27, 30–31, 32–33, 56–57, 62–63, 70–71).

Contents: Blue paper sheet (original dust jacket?) with the dedication, “Mrs. D. V. Cowen | with compliments | Sálím Ali | 17 xii/42” inscribed in ink at the top; tit. card (1 l., with col., pl., date, and price—Rs2/-!); *The birds of Bombay and Salsette* (pp. 1–109).

This volume is a republication of a six part paper, under the same title, that the authors published in the *Journal of the Bombay Natural History Society*, between 1936 and 1939: 1936. Vol. 39 (1): 83–103; 1937. Vol. 39 (3): 520–530; 1937. Vol. 39 (4): 679–688; 1938. Vol. 40 (2): 148–173; 1938. Vol. 40 (3): 367–381; 1939. Vol. 40 (4): 628–652. It also incorporates the follow-up paper they published in the same journal, under reversed authorship, Humayun Abdulali & Sálím Ali, in which they included ‘fresh records and overlooked data’: 1940. Vol. 42 (1): 191–197. A map entitled, ‘The Islands of Bombay and Salsette with the adjoining mainland’, is missing from this volume, perhaps as a precautionary measure given its publication during the years of WWII.

The work is serially paginated, but the text differs in many instances from that of the papers, especially where the authors have incorporated records from their 1940 paper.

A footnote on p. 9 informs that ‘Species which are exhibited in the Bird Gallery of the Natural History Section of the Prince of Wales Museum are marked with an asterisk. The number of the case in which they are to be found is shown in the margin.’ Forty-nine cases are mentioned.

The volume at hand is a presentation copy from Dr Sálím Ali to Mrs D. V. Cowen, who had illustrated some of his books. It is completely interleaved with plain paper, and has some emendations and notes in his hand, on the pages, as well as the inserts. The latter also contain pencilled notes in a round hand, presumably that of Mrs Cowen. These mainly comprise sighting records, and brief behaviour notes.

This is a rare work, perhaps due to its publication during WWII. Mrs Cowen’s historical notes add to its value.

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23. **Allen, Charles.**

2015. *The prisoner of Kathmandu: Brian Hodgson in Nepal 1820–43*. London, Haus Publishing Ltd.

Hbk. (16 x 23.5 cm, with illus., dust cover), pll. 1–34 (col., between pp. 152–153), 71 line drawings, 1 portr. (B&W; Brian Hodgson), 1 photograph (B&W).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); Title (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); Conts. (p. v); Foreword: The prisoner (pp. vii–xv); ‘Perpetual peace and friendship’: Makwanpur, 4 March 1816 (pp. 1–12); ‘Qualified to discharge the duties of the public service’: Haileybury, Fort William College and Kumaon, 1816–20 (pp. 13–38); ‘Spying on the nakedness of the land’: Assistant to the Resident, Kathmandu, 1820–24 (pp. 39–60); ‘The strenuous idleness of woodcock shooting’: Postmaster and Assistant to the Resident, Kathmandu, 1824–25 (pp. 61–88); ‘My old Bauddha’: Assistant to the Resident, 1825–28 (pp. 89–114); ‘Untutored eyes and ears, sedulously employed’: Acting Resident, 1828–31 (pp. 115–132); ‘the truth is that these are saving times’: Assistant Resident again, 1831–33 (pp. 133–162); ‘Reason over barbarism’: British Resident, 1833–1835 (pp. 163–182); ‘Nepal has real and rational charms for me’: British Resident, 1835–40 (pp. 183–212); ‘Events are working wonderfully in my favour’: British Resident 1840–43 (pp. 213–240); ‘T’was a happy lot while it lasted, so that I could not feel its chains till I attempted to break them’: Pensioner, Europe, Darjeeling and England, 1843–1894 (pp. 241–266); Colour plates list (pp. 267–268); Notes (pp. 269–286); Acknowledgements (pp. 287–288).

This is a ‘beautifully judged and exhaustively researched account of the prickly genius who pioneered Himalayan studies,’ (John Keay, on the jacket). It deals with Hodgson’s Nepal years, ‘How he lived there, initially as Assistant to the British Resident, then as Acting Resident and finally as Resident, and what he achieved there over the course of twenty-three years, is the chief concern of this biography’ (p. xi). It includes several tidbits on the early nineteenth century contemporary Himalayan ornithologists, and those in Calcutta (=Kolkata), and deals with Hodgson’s ornithological work in some detail.

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24. **Anderson, John.**

1878 [=1879]. *Anatomical and zoological researches: comprising an account of the zoological results of the two expeditions to western Yunnan in 1868 and 1875; and a monograph of the two cetacean genera, Platanista and Orcella*. 1st. London, Bernard Quaritch. Vol. 1 (Text) of 2 vols.

Royal 8vo, 2 pr. ll., pp. i–xxv, 1–985, 1 map (between pp. 358–359, col., folded), line-drawings 1–32.

Contents: Half-tit., tit., imp (pr. ll.); Systematic index; also a list of genera and species obtained on the expeditions to western Yunnan (pp. i–xi); introd. (pp. xiii–xxv, Calcutta; The 21st December 1878); **Section I.—Vertebrata**. First part of Mammalia (pp. 1–353); Second part of Mammalia (pp. 355–564); Aves (pp. 565–702); Reptilia (pp. 703–834); Amphibia (pp. 835–860); Pisces (pp. 861–869); **Section II.—Invertebrata**. Mollusca. (pp. 871–903); Insecta (pp. 905–928); Crustacea (pp. 929–936); General index (pp. 937–985); Corrigenda (1 l.).

The Corrigenda clarifies the date of publication, "The sanguine expectation that this work would have been issued during the past year has led to 1878 appearing on the title-page instead of 1879, the delay having arisen from circumstances over which the author had no control."

In two volumes. Volume one contains the text.

New name: *Culicipeta tephrocephala*, Andr. Plate L. (p. 626). [= *Seicercus tephrocephalus*.]

The corrigenda in volume two confirms dates of publication of both volumes as 1879 (Dickinson et al. 2011. *Priority!* ... Northampton, UK: Aves Press Limited. (p. 69.)

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25. **Anderson, John.**

1878 [=1879]. *Anatomical and zoological researches: comprising an account of the zoological results of the two expeditions to western Yunnan in 1868 and 1875; and a monograph of the two cetacean genera, Platanista and Orcella*. 1st. London, Bernard Quaritch. Vol. 2 (Plates) of 2 vols.

Royal 8vo, 3 pr. ll., pp. 1–29, pll. I–LXXXI, XXIIa, XXVa, LXXVa, and LXXVb.

Contents: Half-tit, tit, imp., corrigenda (pr. ll.); Description of the plates (pp. 1–29); Plates I–LXXXI, XXIIa, XXVa, LXXVa, and LXXVb (col., and monochr., by Keulemans).

Aves are covered in pll. XLV–LIV. The new taxon, *Culicipeta tephrocephala* (= *Seicercus tephrocephalus*), is on pl. L.

In two volumes. Volume two contains plates by J.G. Keulemans (partly coloured, two folded).

See previous entry for general details.

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25A. **Anderson, R. Charles & Mohamed Shimal.**

2020. *A checklist of birds of the Maldives. Indian BIRDS Monograph 3*. Hyderabad, India. New Ornith Foundation.

Pbk. (21 x 28 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–52A, 38 photographs (col.), 2 portrs. (col., authors), 3 portrs. (B&W), 1 text-figs., 1 map (col.). Website URL: https://www.indianbirds.in/pdfs/IB_Mono3_Anderson_Shimal_Maldives.pdf.

Contents: Tit. (p. 1); Abstract (p. 3); introd. (p. 3); Methods (pp. 4–5); map (p. 6); Birds of the Maldives (pp. 7–22); Historical background (pp. 23–29); Discussion (pp. 30–37); Acknowledgements (p. 38); References (pp. 39–43); Appendix 1. Checklist of birds of the Maldives (pp. 44–49); Photo gallery (pp. 50–51); blank (p. 52); About the authors (p. 52A).

A definitive checklist of the birds of the Maldives, covering 203 taxa. 256 works are listed under References.

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26. **Anonymous.**

1947. *The birds of Burma (Burma Pamphlets. No. 11)*. Calcutta, India, Burma Research Society; Longmans, Green & Co.

'18.3 x 12.4 cm. ̐2[1]82-4852(-52)\$1 signed]; 35 ll. Pp. (4)[1]2-65. Original decorated card covers (uncolored). Front endpaper map. Calcutta (?), for the Burma Research Society, Longmans, Green & Co., December, 1947. Burma Pamphlets No. 11.

Contents: ̐1r, front endpaper map; p1v, list of 10 previously published Burma Pamphlets; ̐2vr, title; ̐2v, first published December, 1947; printed by P. C. Ray at Sri Gouranga Press, Calcutta; 1, birds found in Burma-a brief review; 31, birds in their haunts; 61, the hunting of the snark. Contains half-tone color plates I-VIII after Paul Jones, printed on one side only and not included in pagination.

'This work briefly cites by taxonomic group and then by habitat, a high percentage of the birds of Burma. 50 Species are illustrated in poorly printed color plates. Despite the brevity of text, the unidentified author writes with authority. It should be noted that most of the 1,000 copies of Bertram Smythies' first edition of *Birds of Burma* were lost during the second world war and the only relatively recent work on Burma's birds was Herbert C. Smith's *Notes on the birds of Burma* (1943), which was always notoriously rare. So the present pamphlet was the only modern available work that described Burma's birds. And it is better than nothing!

'By "snark", the author means to denote either a bird he has heard and cannot identify or a bird that was recorded many years before and has not been seen since.'

Source for above citation: <https://www.amherst.edu/library/archives/holdings/soffer/b#Burma>.

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27. **Arlott, Norman.**

2014. *Birds of India, Pakistan, Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka*. London, UK, William Collins.

Hbk. (13 x 19 cm, with illus., cover by Norman Arlott; no dust cover), pp. 1–400, pll., 1–165 (by Norman Arlott), line drawings 2, 1,135 maps.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); Title (p. 3); Dedication and imp. (p. 4); Conts. (pp. 5–7); Acknowledgements (p. 8); Introduction (p. 8); Area and species covered (p. 9); Plates (p. 9); Nomenclature (p. 9); Identification (p. 9); Distribution maps (p. 9); Map of the region (p. 10); Bird topography (p. 11); Species descriptions and colour plates (pp. 12–341); Further reading (p. 342); Species distribution maps (pp. 343–381); Index (pp. 382–400).

'Most of the text in this book is based on the type of notes I make before embarking on a field trip to a new area ...' (p. 8).

This is a compact field guide to the avifauna of South Asia, and covers Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal, Pakistan, and Sri

Lanka. The plates are on the recto pages, and corresponding text on the verso. I cannot but agree with the reviewer in *Birdwatch* magazine that the plates are 'stunningly attractive ... beautifully crafted, neat and crisp paintings,' (Back cover blurb). That said, the birds do look a bit stiff and formal, as they are painted without any background. The text comprises the English name(s), scientific binomen, size of the bird in cm, and very brief information under field notes, voice, habitat, and distribution. This last is the unique feature of the text. In its brevity, the author deviates from the other works, which invariably point to identifying features of a taxon, by remarking upon a set of characteristics, be it behaviour, habitat, jizz, or call that would immediately strike a birder in the field and clinch an ID. Identification features are mentioned when necessary, but behaviour, habitat, and call is emphasised with economy and alacrity. The maps are all gathered together at the end, and cross-referenced to the pertinent plate and taxon. However, having witnessed the miracle of maps produced by eBird records, all such printed distribution maps appear dated and stuck in a time warp. A limitation of the finality of published material. But they are still good for a quick and rough idea of a bird's best-guessed distribution in the region (just as those in all the other field guides are).

Thirty-seven works are listed under 'Further reading' (p. 342), from which Ali & Ripley's monumental *Handbook* is missing! All in all, a wonderfully portable field guide for the region.

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28. **Arora, G. S. & Arun Kumar. Eds.**

1995. *Fauna of Western Himalaya (Uttar Pradesh)*. Himalayan Ecosystem Series, 1. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i-iv, 1-243+9, 18 photographs (col.), 25 line drawings.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Foreword (p. iii, by A. K. Ghosh, January 1995); conts. (p. iv); introd. (pp. 1-9, by G. S. Arora, Arun Kumar & Prakash Chand Tak); Mollusca (pp. 11-15, by N. V. Subba Rao & S. C. Mitra); Oligochaeta (pp. 17-22, by J. M. Julka); Crustacea: Decapoda (p. 23, by P. Krishnamurthy); Odonata (pp. 25-33, by Arun Kumar); Plecoptera (pp. 35-36, by B. C. Das); Orthoptera (pp. 37-42, by S. K. Tandon & M. S. Shishodia); Dermaptera (pp. 43-45, by G. K. Srivastava); Isoptera (pp. 47-50, by S. C. Verma); Hemiptera (pp. 51-54, by R. K. Varshney); Coleoptera (pp. 55-60, by S. Biswas); Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera (pp. 61-73, by G. S. Arora); Trichoptera (pp. 75-79, by S. K. Ghosh & M. Chaudhury); Hymenoptera (pp. 81-89, by S. K. Gupta); Hymenoptera: Ichneumonidae (pp. 91-110, by J. K. Jonathan); Chilopoda (pp. 111-113, by Vinod Khanna); Arachnida: Scorpions (pp. 115-116, by A. T. Biswas); Pisces (pp. 117-150, by Akhlaq Husain); Amphibia (pp. 151-157, by Pranjalendu Ray); Reptilia (pp. 159-167, by Akhlaq Husain & Pranjalendu Ray); Aves (pp. 169-200, by Prakash Chand Tak); Mammalia (pp. 201-214, by N. K. Sinha); Summary of the fauna (pp. 215-228).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 169-200) lists 528 taxa, with a table showing distribution in districts. Fourteen works are listed under References.

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29. **Arora, Rohan.**

2020. *My first flight with widespread birds of India*. Haryana, India, Rumour Books India.

Pbk. (15 x 23 cm, with illus., cover), i-xii, 1-273, 1,200+ photographs (col.), 6 portrs. (col.).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); photograph (p. iv, col., by the author); conts. (p. v); Foreword (p. vi, by Asad R. Rahmani); Author page (p. vii); Messages (pp. viii-ix); ded. (p. x); Acknowledgements (p. xi); introd. (p. xii); Terminology of bird parts & its plumage (p. 1); Types of bird beaks (pp. 2-3); Types of bird feet (pp. 4-5); All about bird feathers (p. 6); species descriptions (pp. 7-261); Collage of articles by Rohan Arora (pp. 262-263); Glossary of ornithological terms (pp. 264-267); References (p. 268); Index of scientific names (pp. 269-270); Index of common names (pp. 271-273).

This work is a general introduction to the birds of India. It lists 230 taxa, illustrating them with 1,200+ colour photographs. Species accounts are restricted to one page per taxon, with details on description, size, habitat, distribution, IUCN status, and Family, scientific, English, and Hindi names.

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30. **Aye, Raffael, Manuel Schweizer & Tobias Roth.**

2012. *Birds of Central Asia: Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Afghanistan*. Princeton and Oxford, Princeton University Press.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover in col.), pp. 1-336, pll. 1-143 (various artists), 19 photographs (col., various photographers), 5 line drawings, 527 maps.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); Conts. (pp. 5-7); Acknowledgements (p. 8); Introd. (p. 9); How to use this book (pp. 10-19); Geography and biogeography (pp. 20-30); Organisations and websites (pp. 31-33); Species accounts (pp. 34-319); Appendix 2: Old vagrants, undocumented records and doubtfully recorded species (p. 320); Appendix 2: Molt and ageing of large raptors (pp. 321-322); Appendix 3: Identifying gulls (pp. 322-323); References (pp. 324-325); Index (pp. 326-336).

Artists: Per Alström (pl. 128); Adam Bowley (pp. 80, 103, 105(part)-106); Carl D'Silva (pl. 74(part)); Kim Franklin (pll. 24(part)-25); John Gale (pll. 50-53, 56-57(part), 89); Alan Harris (pll. 11, 15-23, 26-29(part), 33(part), 60(part), 99-100, 115-117); Ren Hathway (pll. 105(part), 107-108); Dave Nurney (pll. 1-4, 6(part), 13(part)-14, 33(part)-49, 57(part)-60(part), 62-70, 75-79, 81-88, 101-102, 104, 110-114, 118, 120, 122-127, 129-143); Christopher Schmidt (pll. 54-55); Brian Small (pll. 61, 90-98, 109, 119, 121); Jan Wilczur (pll. 5-6(part), 7-10, 12-13(part)); Tim Worfolk (pll. 24(part),

29(part)–32, 71–73); Martin Woodcock (pll. 74(part)).

Plates are on rector, and on the facing verso to each plate, are distribution maps for each species, and brief notes comprising names and species covered, measurements, geographical variation, identification and plumage terminology, voice, and habitat.

Reviews: P. Kennerley. 2013. *British Birds* 106 (3): 176; See also: T.P. Inskipp, N.J. Collar, J.D. Pilgrim & S.P. Mahood. 2013. *BirdingASIA* 20: 53–63.

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31. Bahr, Norbert.

2011. *The bird species – Die Vogelarten. Systematics of the bird species and subspecies of the world. Vol. 1: Charadriiformes*. Minden, Germany, C Media Natur Verlag.

Hbk. (16.5 x 24 cm), pp. 1–191+1.

Contents: Tit. (p. 1; in English, and German—followed throughout the work); ded. (p. 2); imp. (p. 2); Conts. (p. 3); Foreword by Prof. Dr. Jochen Martens (p. 4, in English; p. 5, in German); Introd. (pp. 6–8); Einleitung (pp. 9–12); Acknowledgements/Dank (p. 12); text (pp. 13–138; English, followed by German in every section); Bibliography / Literatur (pp. 138–157); Appendix 1: Scientific names, citations, and type localities of taxa mentioned in footnotes / Anhang 1: Namen, Zitate und Typuslokalitäten der in Fußnoten genannten Taza (pp. 158–165); Appendix 2: Authors of scientific names of genera and species of Charadriiformes / Anhang 2: Autoren wissenschaftlicher Gattungs- und Artnamen der Charadriiformes (pp. 166–168); Index scientific bird names / wissenschaftliche Vogelnamen (pp. 169–184); Index English bird names / englische Vogelnamen (pp. 185–188); Index German bird names / deutsche Vogelnamen (pp. 189–191); Advt.

A bi-lingual (English, and German), systematic (annotated) checklist of the Charadriiformes.

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32. Bahr, Norbert.

2016. *The bird species. An annotated checklist. Vol. 2: Podicipediformes, Phoenicopteriformes, Mesitornithiformes, Pterocliiformes, Columbiformes*. Minden, Germany, C Media Natur Verlag.

Hbk. (16.5 x 24 cm), pp. 1–213+3.

Contents: Tit. (p. 1; in English, and German—followed throughout the work); ded. (p. 2); Imprint (p. 2); Conts. (p. 3); Foreword by Norbert Bahr, February 2016 (p. 4, in English; p. 5, in German); Introd. (pp. 6–11); Einleitung (pp. 12–18); Acknowledgements/Dank (p. 18); text (pp. 19–141; English, followed by German in every section); Additions and corrections to Vol. 1—Charadriiformes (pp. 142–146; English, followed by German); Bibliography / Literatur (pp. 147–166); Appendix 1: Scientific names, citations, and type localities of taxa mentioned in footnotes / Anhang 1: Namen, Zitate und Typuslokalitäten der in Fußnoten genannten Taza (pp. 167–182); Appendix 2: Authors of genus-group and species-group names in the Podicipediformes, Phoenicopteriformes, Mesitornithiformes, Pterocliiformes, Columbiformes (pp. 183–186); Index scientific bird names (pp. 187–205); Index English bird names (pp. 206–209); Index German bird names (pp. 210–213); Advt (2 pp.).

A bi-lingual (English, and German), systematic (annotated) checklist of the Podicipediformes, Phoenicopteriformes, Mesitornithiformes, Pterocliiformes, and Columbiformes.

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33. Baidya, Pronoy & Mandar Bhagat

2018. *A checklist of the birds of Goa, India*. *Indian BIRDS* 14 (1). Hyderabad, India. New Ornith Foundation.

Pbk. (22 x 28 cm, with illus., cover), pp. 1–32+1, 10 photographs (col., various photographers), 1 map, 2 tables.

Contents: Abstract (p. 1); introd. (p. 1); History of ornithology in Goa (pp. 1–3); Methodology, Specimens, Photographs, and Audio recordings (p. 3); Sight records with field notes, Establishing threat and conservation status of Goa's birds based on Red Data Book of IUCN and Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, and Rarity evaluation (p. 4); Results (pp. 3–4); Species accepted on the basis of media that are not available in OBI, or BoG (pp. 4–6); Species accepted on the basis of field notes (pp. 6–8); Discussion, and Threatened species (p. 8); Endemism (pp. 8–9); Table 1. Checklist of birds of Goa (pp. 9–21); Table 2. List of endemic, IUCN Red List, and Schedule I species from Goa (pp. 21–22); Acknowledgements (p. 21); References (pp. 21–25); Appendix A: Species for which there are no indubitable records (pp. 25–31).

'Of the 473 species accepted in the Goa list, 451 (95%) are validated either by museum specimens, or photographs' (p. 8). Table 1 contains columns for species, museum specimens (Zoological Survey of India, Bombay Natural History Society, and others), Media (Oriental Bird Images, Birds of Goa, eBird Rick Media, Xeno Canto, and eBird), and Rarity.

One hundred and seventy works are listed under References.

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34. Balachandran, S., Tuhina Katti & Ranjit Manakadan.

2018. *Indian bird migration atlas*. Mumbai, India, Bombay Natural History Society & Oxford University Press.

Hbk. (31 x 27 cm, with illus. cover; issued without dust cover), p. i–xvi, 1–216, 127 photographs (col., various photographers), 8 ports. (col.), 3 ports. (B&W, back cover, authors), innum. maps (col.).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii, inscribed by authors); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v, to Dr. Sálím Ali); frontisp., and conts. (pp. vi–vii); From the Director's desk (p. viii, by Deepak Apte); Foreword (p. ix, by Bradnee Chambers); message (p. x, by N. Vasudevan); message (p. xi, by B. Meenakumari); message (p. xii, by Patricia Zurita); message (p. xiii, by Taej Mundkur); message (p. xiv, by Evgeny Syroechkovskiy); Acknowledgements (pp. xv–xvi); introd. (pp. 1–6); Ducks and geese (pp. 7–67); Gulls and terns (pp. 68–87); Waders (pp. 88–130); Other waterbirds (pp. 131–156); Landbirds (pp. 157–202); Satellite-tracking and geolocator studies (pp. 203–210); References (pp. 211–214); Index of common names (p. 215); Index of scientific names (p. 216).

This large-sized coffee-table volume deals with the ring recoveries or satellite-tracking records of 118 species of birds. It is the distillation of data from the Bombay Natural History Society's ringing programme of more than half a million ringed birds since 1927, and the 3,000-odd recoveries of more than 100 species from 29 countries.

Each species account contains large photograph/s, brief notes about its breeding and wintering grounds, ring-recovery records, and a map illustrating the places of ringing and recovery, with notes on recoveries.

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35. Baldwin, J. H.

1876. *The large and small game of Bengal and the north-western provinces of India.* 1st ed. London, UK, Henry S. King & Co.

Hbk. (Unknown), pp. i–xxiv, 1–380, 22 engravings (author; and a friend, 'H.M.P.').

Contents: Book-plate (inside front cover; The Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston 1852–1878); frontispiece (p. ii; by the author's friend); Tit. (p. iii); text (p. iv); Pref. (pp. v–vii; J.H.B.); Conts. (pp. ix–xxii); List of illustrations (pp. xxiii–xxiv; by author); [Part I] The tiger (pp. 1–58); The panther (pp. 59–67); The leopard (pp. 68–72); The snow leopard (pp. 73–76); The red lynx (pp. 77–79); The hunting leopard or cheetah (pp. 80–82); The Indian black bear (pp. 83–98); The Himalayan black bear (pp. 99–112); The hyaena (pp. 113–117); The Indian wolf (pp. 118–125); The wild dog (pp. 126–128); The wild buffalo (pp. 129–139); The Indian elephant (pp. 140–143); The great Indian rhinoceros (pp. 144–146); The wild boar (pp. 147–155); The growl or sambar (pp. 156–168); The swamp deer (pp. 169–170); The cheetah or spotted deer (pp. 171–173); The pariah or hog deer (pp. 174–176); The kakur or barking deer (pp. 177–181); The musk deer (pp. 182–185); The antelopes (pp. 186–245). Part II: The game birds: The Indian pea-fowl, the red jungle-fowl, and spur-fowls (pp. 246–254); Himalayan pheasants (pp. 255–274); Indian partridges (pp. 275–289); The quails (pp. 290–295); The sand-grouse (pp. 296–301); The bustard, oobara, and floriken (pp. 302–319); The plovers (pp. 320–321); The cranes (pp. 322–324); The woodcock and snipe (pp. 325–335); On wild-fowl shooting in India (pp. 336–344); Wild geese (pp. 345–350); Wild ducks (pp. 351–363); Miscellaneous (pp. 364–368); The Indian hare (pp. 369–372); Guns, rifles, and sporting equipments; camp equipage, and carriage (pp. 373–380).

'Frontispiece plate (detached) with tissue guard, text illustrations. Contemporary cloth, worn, title in gilt with decoration on front cover; interior uncut. From the James Dolan collection with his bookplate on paste down and blind stamp on title page. First edition of a scarce work on hunting in India written by an observer and lover of nature. Baldwin, a Captain in the British Army stationed in India, recounts his experiences hunting for tiger in the Terai, Assam, and Mirzapore regions, and additional hunts for panther, bear, buffalo and various deer species. He provides in-depth descriptions of animals such as the leopard, red lynx, hyaena, wild dog, Indian elephant Indian rhinoceros, and antelope, among many others, sufficient certainly to hunt. The second part of the work examines India's sporting bird species. Almost every animal he describes had fallen to his own rifle. The illustrations of Himalayas have been engraved from his own drawings. (Inventory #: 16326).'

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36. Bambaradeniya, Channa N. B. Ed.

2006. *The fauna of Sri Lanka: Status of taxonomy, research and conservation.* Colombo, Sri Lanka, World Conservation Union & Government of Sri Lanka.

PDF, pp. i–xiii, 1–308, 1 col. photograph (portr.), 18 col., photographs, several maps.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); Imprint (p. ii); Conts. (pp. iii–iv); Message (p. v, by Mrs. Shiranee E. Yasaratne); Message (p. vi, by Mr. Jayalath R. W. Dissanayake); Dedication (pp. vii–viii); Acknowledgements (p. ix); Editorial: Species richness of fauna in Sri Lanka: Current status and future prospects (pp. x–xiii, by Channa N. B. Bambaradeniya).

Section 1: Status of invertebrate fauna in Sri Lanka: An overview of the taxonomic status of class Hexapoda (Insecta) in Sri Lanka (pp. 3–11, by Anura Vijesekara); Current status and future directions in bee taxonomy in Sri Lanka (pp. 12–19, by W. A. Inoka P. Karunaratne & Jayanthi P. Edirisinghe); Current status of taxonomy, research and conservation of dragonfly fauna (Insecta: Odonata) of Sri Lanka (pp. 20–34, by Matjaj Bedjanic); Current status of aphid taxonomy in Sri Lanka (pp. 35–42, by Jayanthi P. Edirisinghe & M. A. P. Wijerathna); Current taxonomic status of ants (Hymenoptera: Formicidae) in Sri Lanka (pp. 43–52, by R. K. Sriyani Dias); Species richness, distribution and conservation status of butterflies in Sri Lanka (pp. 53–64, by W. P. N. Perera & C. N. B. Bambaradeniya); Taxonomic status of ticks in Sri Lanka (pp. 65–69, by P. R. M. P. Dilrukshi); Systematics and conservation of spiders in Sri Lanka: Current status and future prospects (pp. 70–76, by Suresh P. Benjamin & Channa N. B. Bambaradeniya); Conservation of Sri Lanka freshwater crabs (pp. 77–83, by Mohamed M. Bashir & Rohan Pethiyagoda); Land snails of Sri Lanka (pp. 84–99, by K. B. Ranawana).

Section 2: Status of vertebrate fauna in Sri Lanka: Conservation of Sri Lankan freshwater fishes (pp. 103–112, by Rohan

Pethiyagoda); Some aspects of ecology of endemic freshwater fishes of Sri Lanka (pp. 113–124, by Upali S. Amarasinghe, R. R. A. R. Shirantha & M. J. S. Wijeyaratne); Sri Lankan amphibians: Diversity, uniqueness and conservation (pp. 125–133, by Rohan Pethiyagoda, Kelum Manamendra-Arachchi, Mohamed M. Bashir & Madhava Meegaskumbura); Current status of the reptiles of Sri Lanka (pp. 134–163, by Anslern de Silva); Avifaunal list of Sri Lanka (pp. 164–203, by Sarath W. Kotagama, Rex I. De Silva, Athula S. Wijayasinha & Vathsala Abeygunawardane); Status of waterfowl in Sri Lanka (pp. 204–215, by Deepal Warakagoda & Udaya Sirivardana); Taxonomic status of the mammals of Sri Lanka (pp. 216–231, by D. K. Weerakoon & W. L. D. P. T. S. de A. Goonatilake); Ecological traits of endemic small mammals in rainforests of Sri Lanka, and their implications for conservation (pp. 232–234, by Mayuri R. Wijesinghe); The ecology of the wild cats of Sri Lanka (pp. 235–256, by Sriyanie Miththapala).

Section 3: Status of marine fauna in Sri Lanka: Coral associated invertebrates: An overview of the current taxonomic status (pp. 259–273, by Malik Fernando); Current status of taxonomy and ecology of marine molluscs in Sri Lanka (pp. 274–287, by Darshani de Silva); The taxonomy and status of offshore birds (seabirds) of Sri Lanka (pp. 288–293, by S. W. Kotagama & Rex I. De Silva); Taxonomy and status of the sharks and rays of Sri Lanka (pp. 294–301, by Rex I. De Silva); Taxonomy and current status of marine mammals in Sri Lanka (pp. 302–308, by A. D. Ilangakoon).

The list of birds in Avifaunal list of Sri Lanka (pp. 164–203) contains 482 species; and lists 24 references.

<PDF copy held. Source: https://www.academia.edu/33342482/The_Fauna_of_Sri_Lanka_Status_of_Taxonomy_Research_and_Conservation>

37. Banerjee, Ananda.

2008. *Common birds of the Indian Subcontinent*. 1st ed. New Delhi, Rupa Publications India Pvt Ltd.

Pbk. (11.5 x 19 cm, with illus., cover), pp. i–xv, 1–116, 2 pl. (col., by Manoj Pawat), 218 photographs (col., by: Anand Arya, Debashish Deb, Nikhil Devasar N.C. Dhingra, Clement M. Francis, Satpal Gandhi, Dipankar Ghosh, Joydip Kundu, Suchandra Kundu, and Mike Vickers), 1 portr. (p. ix, Dr George Archibald).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); Frontisp. & tit. (pp. ii–iii); imp. (p. iv); conts. (p. v); Acknowledgements (p. vii); Foreword (p. ix, by Dr George Archibald); Introd. (pp. xi–xiii); Bird anatomy (p. xiv); Different types of bills (p. xv); Species field guide (pp. 1–103); Ten notable birdmen to remember (pp. 105–106); Bird trivia (pp. 107–108); Birding resources (p. 109); Bibliography (p. 110); Index of scientific names (pp. 111–113); Index of English names (pp. 114–116).

A slim field guide covering 200 species. Every recto page of the species field guide section has, at the bottom, a piece of bird trivia (from around the world). The index of scientific names (pp. 111–113) is listed alphabetically by binomials.

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38. Baqri, Qaiser H. Ed.

2000. *Fauna of Gujarat (Part-I) Vertebrates*. State Fauna Series 8. Calcutta, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (21 x 29 cm), 3 pr. ll., pp. 1–464, 3 maps, text-figs.

Contents: Tit., imp., pref. (by Dr. J. R. B. Alfred), conts. (pr. ll.); Introd. (pp. 1–14, by Qaiser H. Baqri); Mammalia (pp. 15–83, by S. Chakraborty & V. C. Agarwal); Aves (pp. 85–241, by Barid Baran Dutta); Reptilia (pp. 243–297, by R. C. Sharma); Amphibia (pp. 299–309, by A. K. Sarkar & S. Ray); Marine and estuarine fishes (pp. 311–411, by R. P. Burman, P. Mukherjee & S. Kar); Freshwater fishes (pp. 413–464).

The 'Systematic list of birds from Gujarat (as reported in this paper)' comprises 485 species (pp. 85–91); and lists 48 references (pp. 239–241). In the summary, B. B. Dutta states, 'A comprehensive information on the bird life of Gujarat has been furnished based on the published accounts as well as from the collected [=collection] present in the National Zoological collections. The bird community of the region comprises 452 species and subspecies belonging to 228 genera, 59 families and 17 orders,' (p. 239). The mismatch in the number of taxa, between the systematic list, and the summary is inexplicable.

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39. Barthakur, Ranjit & Bittu Sahgal. Eds.

2007. *The Kaziranga inheritance*. Mumbai, India, Sanctuary Asia.

Hbk. (29 x 24 cm, with illus. dust cover), pp. 1–160, innum. photographs (col., various photographers).

Contents: Endpapers (front and back, illus.); frontisp. and tit. (p. 1, inscribed by Bittu Sahgal, October 8, 2015); imp., and ded. (pp. 2–3, illus.); photo and note (pp. 4–5, by Naina Lal Kidwai, October 2006); photo (p. 6); Foreword: Kaziranga—A national inheritance (p. 7, by Dr. Manmohan Singh, January 24, 2005); photo (p. 8); pref. (p. 9, editors); conts. (p. 11); The Kaziranga inheritance: Protecting a people's legacy (pp. 12–15, by Ranjit Barthakur); The pride of Assam: Celebrating a success story (pp. 18–23, by Bittu Sahgal); Back to the future: One hundred years of conservation (pp. 24–39, by Anon.); Green mansions: The heart of Kaziranga (pp. 40–53, by Anon.); In praise of plants: A kaleidoscope of colours (pp. 54–59, by Maan Barua); Seasons in the sun: A birding calendar (pp. 60–77, by Maan Barua); Kaziranga's 'big five': Rhino, elephant, buffalo, tiger and swamp deer (pp. 78–93, by Anon.); Creatures great and small: Kaziranga's lesser-known animals (pp. 94–109, by Bidisha Basu); The science of conservation: Camera trapping tigers in Kaziranga (pp. 110–115, by K. Ullas Karanth); The human factor: People and Kaziranga (pp. 116–121, by Anon.); The wilderness trail: Welcoming visitors, sending back supporters (pp. 122–129, by Lakshmy Raman); Securing the future: Protecting the Kaziranga inheritance (pp. 130–145, by Bittu Sahgal & Ranjit Barthakur); Voices from the past: Memories of a lifetime (pp. 146–147); A Kaziranga checklist: Birds, mammals, fish (pp. 148–153); Faces behind the book: Photographers and writers (p. 154); Voices of support (p. 155); Acknowledgements (p. 156); Bibliography/

References (p. 157); Glossary & Photo credits (p. 158); Index (pp. 159–160).

This coffee-table work 'is a photographic tribute to this wildlife haven and the people who have battled for its survival. Showcasing some of the most stunning images of the biodiversity of Northeast India,' (front flap of dust cover).

A checklist of Kaziranga birds (pp. 148–152, compiled by Maan Barua and Pankaj Sharma); lists 505 taxa, and contains 10 line-drawings.

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40. **Baskaran, S. Theodore. Ed.**

2010. *Sprint of the Blackbuck: writings on wildlife and conservation in South India*. New Delhi, Penguin Books.

Pbk. (12.5 x 19.5 cm, with illus. cover, photo by Chintan D. Vyas), pp. i–xv+1, 1–223+1, frontisp. (B&W, photo by John Isaac), 24 photos (B&W, by various photographers).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); frontisp. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); Conts. (p. vii–ix); Acknowledgements (p. x); Introd. (pp. xi–xv); Wildlife [pp. 1–63: Bears (M. Krishnan), Black Kite (T. Koneri Rao), Nilgiri Langur in Mundanthurai Sanctuary (M. Krishnan), *Cervus unicolor* (M. Krishnan), Answering the call of the Hoolock (T. R. Sridhar), The ambitious cobra (Preston Ahimaz), Vandalur Leopard: some thoughts (E. R. C. Davidar), The Suligiri man-eater (R. K. G. Menon), The Banded Racer (M. V. Rajendran)]; Habitats [pp. 65–98: Life on the edge of the scrub (Janaki Lenin), Wildlife conservation: Rishi Valley experiment (S. Rangaswami), Twelve hours at a waterhole (B. Rajasekhar), An evening at Vedurupattu (V. Santharam)]; Conservation [pp. 99–138: On setting priorities for the conservation effort (Madhav Gadgil), A question of taste (M. Krishnan), Saving India (M. Krishnan), Not either-or but something of both (B. Vijayaraghavan), On the flowering of Neelakurinji and a proposal for its conservation (P. K. Uthaman), Ants as biological indicators of environmental changes (R. J. Ranjit Daniels)]; Documenting wildlife [pp. 139–206: Photographing wildlife in India (T. N. A. Perumal), Report on crocodile survey: monitoring trip to Sathanur, Hogenekal and Krishnagiri (Preston Ahimaz), A census in Anamalai Wildlife Sanctuary (K. Raghunathan); The diary of a naturalist (K. K. Neelakantan), The Tamil writings of M. Krishnan (S. Theodore Baskaran), Memoirs of a countryside entomologist (Kumar Ghorpade), Whale rescue operation in Kodiakarai (Akash Deep Baruah), Heroic stuff (Kumaran Sathasivam), Encounter on the Anakayam River (R. Kannan)]; References (pp. 207–208); Select bibliography (p. 209); Notes on contributors (pp. 210–213); Index (pp. 215–223).

An anthology of 28 essays on southern India's natural history, published earlier in various issues of *Blackbuck*, the quarterly journal of the Madras Naturalists' Society. Several are of ornithological interest: Black Kite (T. Koneri Rao), Life on the edge of the scrub (Janaki Lenin), Rishi Valley experiment (S. Rangaswami), Twelve hours at a waterhole (B. Rajasekhar), An evening at Vedurupattu (V. Santharam), Photographing wildlife in India (T. N. A. Perumal), and The diary of a naturalist (K. K. Neelakantan)

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41. **Baskaran, S. Theodore.**

2020. *A day with the Shama: Essays on nature*. Chennai, India, Zero Degree Publishing.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm), pp. 1–243, 30 photographs (B&W, fourteen photographers).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); ded. (p. 5); conts. (pp. 7–9); introd. (pp. 11–12); Birds (pp. 13–66); Mammals and reptiles (pp. 67–92); Habitats (pp. 93–142); Personalities (pp. 143–194); Issues (pp. 195–236); advt. (p. 237); Photo credits (p. 238); Index (pp. 239–243).

This is a compilation of the author's essays published in the Indian daily *The Hindu*. The section on birds has fifteen essays.

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42. **Baviskar, Amita. Ed.**

2016. *First garden of the Republic: Nature in the President's estate*. India, Publications Division, Government of India.

Hbk. (24.5 x 29 cm, cloth boards with gold tooling on cover, spine, and back cover, with illus., dust cover), pp. 1–256, photographs (col., by Narendra Bisht, and others), maps.

Contents: Endpapers (col. photograph); half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); Note on nomenclature (p. 6); conts. (p. 7); portr. (p. 8; President of India, Pranab Mukherjee); foreword (p. 9, by Pranab Mukherjee, President of India, July 2016); pref. (p. 11, by Omita Paul, Secretary to the President, July 2016); Introduction: First garden of the republic (pp. 12–29, by Amita Baviskar); The formal gardens: English flowers in an Islamic charbagh (pp. 30–65, by Amita Baviskar); Avenue and forest trees: Unravelling the planting scheme (pp. 66–107, by Pradip Krishen); Backstage: Gardeners at work (pp. 108–125, by Amita Baviskar); Wildlife: Creatures great and small (pp. 126–159, by Ghazala Shahabuddin); Birds: Heirs of the ecological mosaic (pp. 160–197, by Ghazala Shahabuddin & Amita Baviskar); Seasons: The cycles of life (pp. 198–233, by Ghazala Shahabuddin); Notes (pp. 234–239); Appendices: Appendix A: Plants of the President's estate (pp. 240–242); Appendix B: Mammals of the President's estate (p. 243); Appendix C: Birds of the President's estate (pp. 243–245); Appendix D: Reptiles and amphibians of the President's estate (p. 245); Appendix E: Insects of the President's estate (pp. 246–247); Appendix F: Spiders of the President's estate (p. 248); Acknowledgements (p. 249); Bibliography (pp. 250–251); Index (pp. 252–255).

This is a scholarly and sumptuously illustrated coffee-table book on the ecology of the largest presidential residence in the world, that of the President of India. Most of the photographs are well chosen and a pleasure to view in their large format.

The list of birds (pp. 243–245) includes 122 spp., and is unconventionally alphabetized by English name and its

corresponding scientific binomen.

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Reviews: Vikramajit Ram. 2017. *Biblio* 22 (4–6): 20–21; Aasheesh Pittie. 2018. *Indian BIRDS* 14 (3): 96.

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43. **Bawa, Kamal & Sandesh Kadur.**

2013. *Himalaya: Mountains of life*. Bangalore, India, Ashoka Trust for Research in Education and the Environment.

Hbk. (27 x 30 cm, with illus. cover, and dust cover), pp. 1–370, 561 photographs (col., by Sandesh Kadur, and various other photographers), 7 maps (col.).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1, inscribed); ded. (p. 3); portfolio of photographs (pp. 5–31); frontisp. (p. 32); tit. (p. 33); imp. (p. 34); conts. (p. 35); pref. (p. 37); Foreword (pp. 39–41, by George B. Schaller); Foreword (p. 43, by Peter H. Raven); introd. (pp. 44–47); Eastern Himalaya: A biodiversity hotspot (pp. 48–49); The Land (pp. 50–105, with subsections: Ecoregions, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Kaziranga, Manas, Bhutan, Sikkim, eastern Nepal, and rivers); The people: (pp. 106–133, with subsections: Apatani, Bodo, Lepcha, Naga, and Nyishi); The plants (pp. 134–181, with subsections: Ferns, conifers, arisaema, orchids, arisaema, orchids, zingiberaceae, rheum nobile, balsams, primulas, rhododendrons, rhododendrons and sunbirds, and pedicularis); The fungi (pp. 182–187, Caterpillar fungus); The animals (pp. 188–261, with subsections: Invertebrates, butterflies, fishes, amphibians, reptiles, birds, and mammals); Threats to biodiversity (pp. 262–279); Climate change (pp. 280–281); Tourism (pp. 282–285); Transboundary conservation: Sustaining biodiversity and enhancing human security (pp. 286–287); Saving our heritage (pp. 288–299); Afterword (p. 301, by Rohini Nilekani); Acknowledgements and photo credits (pp. 302–303); References (p. 305).

This sumptuous coffee-table book introduces the reader to the north-eastern Himalayan region through breathtaking photographs that are both, panoramic, as well as macroscopic. The beauty of the landscape and its inhabitants, and the lives of its peoples are juxtaposed with the modern problems of climate change and development.

It contains 49 photographs of birds. 40 references are listed. The back endpapers have a map showing 48 Protected Areas in the eastern Himalaya. My copy inscribed by Sandesh Kadur.

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44. **Bedi, Taran Singh.**

2015. *Birds at ISB [Mohali campus]*. Hyderabad, India, Indian School of Business.

Hbk. (17 x 17 cm, with dust cover), 1 l., pp. 1–157, 76 photographs (col., by author; several double-page), line-drawings and vignettes (monochr., several, unknown artist), 1 map, 1 portr. (col., author).

Contents: Half-tit., imp. [1 l.]; tit. [p. 1]; conts. [pp. 2–3]; About our birds [pp. 4–7]; About the book [pp. 8–9]; The campus [pp. 10–11]; Work at ISB [pp. 12–63]; Celebrate at ISB [pp. 64–77]; Live at ISB [pp. 78–87]; Relax at ISB [pp. 88–113]; Around ISB [pp. 114–143]; Acknowledgements [pp. 144–145]; About the author [pp. 146–147]; Photo credits [pp. 148–149]; Bibliography [pp. 150–151]; Serendipity at ISB! [p. 152]; Birds sighted on campus in 2014–2015 but not photographed [p. 153]; [Notes] [pp. 154–157].

This is a small-format photo-guide to the birds of the 70-acre campus of the Indian School of Business, in Mohali, Punjab, India. It covers over 30 species, of which some are not illustrated with photographs, nor written about.

Several errors have crept into the work: the Ashy Prinia *Prinia socialis* seems to be a Yellow-bellied Prinia *P. flaviventris* (pp. 14–17), the Brown-headed Barbet *Megalaima zeylanica* has pictures of a seemingly juvenile Coppersmith Barbet *M. haemacephala*. Three photographs of Bank Mynas *Acridotheres ginginianus* are grouped under Common Myna *A. tristis* (p. 37). Oriental Magpie Robin *Copsychus saularis* has pictures of a Pied Bushchat *Saxicola caprata* (pp. 44–47). Purple-rumped Sunbird *Nectarinia zeylonica* is not found in northern India, and the pictures of female sunbirds here are of the Purple Sunbird *N. zeylonica*. The birds shown under Brown Rock Chat *Cercomela fusca* look like flycatchers (pp. 57, 59). The Red-whiskered Bulbul *Pycnonotus jocosus* (p. 135) is not labeled, but under Red-vented Bulbul *P. cafer*. The wagtail on pp. 142–143 is a *Motacilla alba personata*, and not *M. maderaspatensis*.

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44B. **Beolens, Bo, Michael Watkins & Michael Grayson.**

2009. *The eponym dictionary of mammals*. Baltimore, USA, The John Hopkins University Press.

Hbk. (17.5 x 25.5 cm., with illus., dust cover), pp. i–xvi, 1–574.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); conts. (p. v); pref. (pp. vii–viii); introd. (pp. ix–xiii); half-tit. (p. xv); the dictionary (pp. 1–460); Appendix 1: Vernacular names (pp. 461–513); Appendix 2: Scientific names (pp. 515–567); Bibliography (pp. 569–574).

Short biographies of several people, who have been associated with South Asian ornithology, are listed in this work.

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44C. **Beolens, Bo, Michael Watkins & Michael Grayson.**

2011. *The eponym dictionary of reptiles*. Baltimore, USA, The John Hopkins University Press.

Hbk. (18 x 25.5 cm., with illus., cover; issued without dust cover), pp. i–[xvi], 1–296.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); conts. (p. vii); pref. (p. ix); introd. (pp. xi–xiii); half-tit. (p. xv); the dictionary (pp. 1–294); Bibliography (pp. 295–296).

See above entry for general notes.

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44D. **Beolens, Bo, Michael Watkins & Michael Grayson.**

2013. *The eponym dictionary of amphibians*. Exeter, UK, Pelagic Publishing.

Hbk. (17 x 24.5 cm., with illus., cover; issued without dust cover), pp. i–xvi, 1–244.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); frontisp. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); conts. (p. vii); Acknowledgements (p. ix); introd. (pp. xi–xiii); half-tit. (p. xv); the dictionary (pp. 1–241); Bibliography (pp. 243–244).

See above entry for general notes.

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45. **Beolens, Bo, Michael Watkins & Michael Grayson.**

2014. *The eponym dictionary of birds*. London, UK, Bloomsbury Plc Ltd.

Hbk. (17 x 24 cm., with gold-tooled spine, and illus., dust cover), pp. 1–624.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); ded., & imp. (p. 4); conts. (p. 5); Sources and acknowledgements (p. 6); introd. (pp. 7–10); The dictionary (pp. 11–620); Addenda (p. 621); references (pp. 622–624).

In their introduction, the authors state that this work takes ‘in not only vernacular eponyms but also eponyms that appear in the scientific names of birds, and it covers all genera, species and subspecies that are eponymous. We have not adopted any one taxonomic authority but try, so far as is possible, to include all bird eponyms ever coined, including mistakes and those not currently in use. We include all extant and historically extinct birds and there are even a few fictitious names. We have generally excluded birds that are only found in fossil form. Our “yardstick” has been that if a researcher or other interested party comes across a bird name that is an eponym (or seeming one) then we should give an explanation if we can,’ (p. 7).

There are more than 4,100 entries in the book ... covering just over 10,000 genera, species, and subspecies.

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45a. **Beolens, Bo, Michael Watkins & Michael Grayson.**

2018. *The eponym dictionary of Odonata*. Scotland, UK, Whittles Publishing Ltd.

Hbk. (15 x 23.5 cm., with illus., cover; issued without dust cover), pp. i–xviii, 1–460.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); ded. (p. v); Foreword (pp. vii–viii); Acknowledgements (pp. ix–x); Index & bibliography (p. xi); introd. (pp. xiii–xiv); abbrev. (p. xv); Conventions (pp. xvii–xviii); the dictionary (pp. 1–460).

See above entry ## for general notes.

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46. **Bhardwaj, Gobind Sagar & Asad R. Rahmani.**

2020. *Desert National Park: A jewel in the vibrant Thar*. Mumbai, India, The Corbett Foundation.

Hbk. (30 x 23.5 cm, with illus., cover, and dust cover), pp. i–xii, 1–117, 154 photographs (col., by Gobind Singh Bhardwaj & Dhritiman Mukherjee; many full page, and double-spread), 2 maps (col.), 3 portrs. (B&W), 2 portrs. (col., authors, on inside back flap of dust cover, and back cover of book).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii, with logos of sponsors); photograph (p. iv); conts. (p. v, with photograph); pref. (p. vi, dated 15 September 2020); Message (p. vii, by Ashok Mahindra); Message (p. viii, by Dilip D. Khatau); Foreword (p. ix, by Ravi Singh); Acknowledgements (pp. x–xi); photograph (p. xii); Introduction: Vibrant Thar (pp. 1–12); Desert National Park (pp. 13–20); Biological diversity (pp. 21–81); Great Indian Bustard: The pulse of Thar (pp. 82–97); People and lifestyle (pp. 98–105); Conservation issues and management challenges (pp. 106–115); References (pp. 116–117).

This is an authoritative coffee-table book, profusely illustrated with photographs of high quality, showcasing the rich biological diversity of the Thar Desert. Fifty-two works are listed under References.

Front free endpaper is coloured on *recto*, and white on *verso*. This is reversed on the free back endpaper. Page 117 is the *recto* of the free back endpaper.

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47. **Bhargava, Rajat.**

2012. *Birds of Meerut*. Meerut, ASC Battalion.

Pbk. (10 x 0.5 cm, with illus., cover), 2 pr. ll., pp. 1–96, 3 portr. (p. front endpaper), photographs (col., various photographers).

Contents: Imprint (inside front cover); the avian team, conts., tit. (pr. ll.); foreword (p. 1, by Maj. Gen. Rajan Ravindran, dated 6th October 2012); message (pp. 2–3, Asad R. Rahmani, dated 2nd October 2012); Message (p. 4, by Lalit K. Verma); Acknowledgements (pp. 5–6); introd. (pp. 7–13); Some birding areas in and around Meerut region (pp. 14–18); Bird watching tips (p. 19); Index of species (pp. 21–24); species accounts (pp. 25–85); Checklist of birds of Meerut including (Hastinapur Wildlife Sanctuary) (pp. 87–94); references and suggested reading (p. 95); advt. (p. 96); about the author (back inside cover).

This slim volume briefly describes 100 species, and contains a checklist of 288 spp., and one of eight species that need confirmation.

Review: Atul Sathe. 2014. *Hornbill* 2014 (January–March): 21.

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48. **Bhargava, Rajat.**

2017. *Status of Finn's Weaver in India: Past & present.* Mumbai, India, Bombay Natural History Society.

PDF, pp. i–xii, 1–124, 15 maps (col.), 2 portraits (col.), 135 photos (colour), 1 photo (B&W), numerous figures.

Contents: sub-tit. (p. i); Title (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); Conts. (p. v); Foreword (p. vi, by Dr Deepak Apte); Pref. (pp. vii–viii, by Rajat Bhargava); Acknowledgements (p. ix); Dr Sálím Ali - a Finn's Weaver fan (p. x); Executive summary (pp. xi–xii); Etymology: History of Finn's Weaver 'discovery and re-discovery' in India (and Nepal) (pp. 1–4); Introduction (pp. 5–8); Weaver birds of India (pp. 9–16); Objective & methodology (pp. 17–18); Field characters (pp. 19–30); Ecology (pp. 31–46); The past and present distribution of Finn's Weaver (pp. 47–80); Causes for decline (pp. 81–94); Results & discussions (pp. 95–103); Potential distribution of the Finn's Weaver in the Indian Subcontinent (pp. 104–105); Recommendations (pp. 106–113); Appendix-I (pp. 114–119); References (pp. 120–124).

Ninety works are listed under References. An important and updated status document on this endangered bird.

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48A. **Bhatia, Garima, Abhisheka Krishnagopal & Suhel Quader. Eds.**

2021. *Handbook for bird educators.* Mysuru, India, Nature Conservation Foundation.

Pbk. (17.5 x 21.5, with illus., cover), pp. i–v, 1–143, innum., line drawings, and illus. (by: Rohan Chakravarty, Saumitra Deshmukh, and Deborshee Gogoi).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); acknowledgements (p. v); Introducing children to birds (pp. 1–10; p. 1 begins on verso); Learning about birds (pp. 11–26); Activities (pp. 27–100); Feedback and evaluation (pp. 101–118); Making an impact (pp. 119–135); Conclusion (p. 136); Resources (pp. 137–139); Glossary (pp. 140–141); Index (p. 142).

The chapter on activities contains sections on bird walks, talks and presentations, creative activities, and games.

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49. **Bhattacharyya, T. P. & M. K. Ghosh. Eds.**

2004. *Faunal composition of Kaimur Wild Life Sanctuary (Bihar).* Conservation Area Series, 22. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18 x 24 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–iv, 1–49+4, 4 col. pll., (10 photographs), 1 foldout map (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); Imprint (p. ii); Conts. (pp. iii–iv); Intro. (p. 1); Camps (p. 1); Physical features (p. 2); Flora (pp. 2–3); Faunal composition (p. 3); Systematic account: Mammalia (pp. 4–21); Aves (pp. 21–45); Reptilia (pp. 45–46); Discussion (p. 47); Recommendation (p. 48); Summary (pp. 48–49); Acknowledgement (p. 49); References (p. 49).

The section on birds contains an annotated list of 127 spp.

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50. **Bhattacharyya, T. P., A. K. Sett, Rengasamy Sakthivel & S. Anand.**

2006. *Avifaunal composition of Point Calimere Wildlife and Bird Sanctuary.* b Kolkata, Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18 x 24 cm, with illus. cover); pp. i–x, 1–62, 7 pll. (col., with 14 photos), 1 map.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); Imprint (p. ii); Conts. (p. iii–ix); Introduction (p. 1); Study area (p. 1); Historical background (p. 2); Climate (p. 2); Soil (p. 2); Methodology (p. 2); Systematic account (pp. 3–59); Discussion (pp. 59–60); Recommendation (pp. 60–61); Acknowledgements (p. 61); Reference (pp. 61–62).

Brief notes on the habits of 226 spp., with remarks on their status. The references list (pp. 61–62) comprises twelve citations.

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51. **Bhora, Padma, Gaurav Sharma & Sanjeev Kumar. Eds.**

2014. *Faunal exploration of Sitamata Wildlife Sanctuary, Rajasthan.* Conservation Area Series, 54. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–158, pll. I–XVI.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); An overview (pp. 1–23, by Padma Bhora, Gaurav Sharma & Sanjeev Kumar); Plant and soil nematodes (pp. 25–35, by Padma Bhora); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 37–50, by Gaurav Sharma); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera (pp. 51–67, by Gaurav Sharma & Satya Narayan Dhadeech); Insecta: Coleoptera: Scarabaeidae: Coprinae (pp. 69–82, by Ram Sewak); Pisces (pp. 83–86, by Harinder Singh Banyal); Herpetofauna (pp. 87–105, by Sanjeev Kumar); Aves (pp. 107–126, by Sanjeev Kumar); Mammals (pp. 127–158, by Sanjeev Kumar);

The chapter on Aves (pp. 107–126) lists 216 taxa in a tabulated systematic list that provides the following details: scientific name, common name, earlier reported, present survey, and habitat. It lists five works under References.

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52. **Bhupathy, S., B. Anjan Kumar Prusty, Honnavalli N. Kumara, R. S. C. Jayaraj, Goldin Quadros & P. Pramod. Eds.**
2011. *Status of Indian birds and their conservation. Proceedings of the First International Conference on Indian Ornithology, 19–23 November, 2011.* Coimbatore, Salim Ali Centre for Ornithology and Natural History.
 Pbk. (19 x 27 cm, with illus., cover), 1 pr. l., pp. i–xvi, 1–301+1, i–v, photos (B&W), text-figs, tables.
Contents: Tit. imp. (p. l); foreword (pp. i–ii, by the Director, November 19, 2011); pref. (p. iii, Editors, November 19, 2011); acknowledgements (p. iv, Organising Secretary, November 19, 2011); conts. (pp. v–xvi); [plenaries] (pp. 1–8); Symposium I - Threatened birds (pp. 9–20, six papers); Symposium II - Common birds (pp. 21–36, six papers); Symposium III - Agricultural land birds (pp. 37–54, six papers); Symposium IV - Bird conservation, policy advocacy and action (pp. 55–72, seven papers); Symposium V - Bird conservation in landscape perspective (pp. 73–87, six papers); Symposium VI - Bird taxonomy (pp. 88–102, six papers); Symposium VII - Bird migration and climate change (pp. 103–116, six papers); Symposium VIII - Birds of wetlands (pp. 117–134, six papers); Symposium IX - Diversity and distribution of birds (pp. 135–148, six papers); Symposium X - Habitat ecology and behavior of birds (pp. 149–162, six papers); Symposium XI - Bird surveys and bird-watcher's meet (pp. 163–175, five papers); Speed talks (pp. 176–232, 30 talks); Poster presentations (pp. 233–301, 54 posters); Author index (pp. i–v, names listed by first name).
 'This is a compilation of the papers presented at the First International Conference on Indian Ornithology (ICIO 2011) conducted at Salim Ali Centre for Ornithology and Natural History, Coimbatore during 19–23 November, 2011. One hundred and fifty three (sic) studies on Indian Ornithology from 25 states of India are represented in this volume,' (back cover blurb).
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53. **Bhutia, P. T. & Prakash Chand Tak. Eds.**
2014. *Fauna of Jhilmil Jheel Conservation Reserve (Uttarakhand).* Conservation Area Series, 50. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.
 PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–vi, 1–197+24, pll. I–VIII (45 col., photographs between pp. 12–13), 1 maps.
Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Foreword (p. iii, by K. Venkataraman); Acknowledgements (p. iv); conts. (p. v); An overview (pp. 1–11, by P. C. Tak, J. P. Sati & P. T. Bhutia); Mammalia (pp. 13–32, by J. P. Sati & P. C. Tak); Aves (pp. 33–63, by P. C. Tak & J. P. Sati); Reptilia (pp. 65–83, by Archana Bahuguna); Amphibia (pp. 85–91, by Archana Bahuguna & P. T. Bhutia); Pisces (pp. 93–125, by Pramod Kumar & A. Husain); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera (pp. 127–148, by Pramod Kumar); Insecta: Orthoptera: Acridoidea (pp. 149–162, by Nardender Sharma); Nematoda (Dorylaimida and Mononchida) (pp. 163–171, by Vinita Sharma); Nematoda: Soil nematodes (pp. 173–189, by A. N. Rizvi); Helminth parasites of amphibia (pp. 191–197, by A. N. Rizvi & P. T. Bhutia).
 The chapter on Aves (pp. 33–63) lists 191 taxa of which 101 were observed during eight trips to the area between June 2010 and June 2011. It lists thirteen works under References. It contains a tabulated checklist, and an annotated checklist with English name, complete scientific binomen, habitat, and distribution.
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54. **Bindra, Perna Singh.**
2017. *The vanishing: India's wildlife crisis.* India, Penguin/Viking.
 Hbk. (13.5 x 21.5 cm, with illus., dust cover), pp. i–xxii, 1–326, 16 photographs (between pp. 154–155, col., various photographers), 1 portr. (col., of author, dust cover back flap).
Contents: half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); quotes (p. vii); conts. (p. ix); prologue (p. xi–xxii); Fall of the wild (pp. 1–29); India's notional board for wildlife (pp. 30–54); Lines of blood (pp. 55–74); Sinking a tiger forest (pp. 75–89); The real tiger story (pp. 90–111); To save a tiger (pp. 112–129); Failing our gods (pp. 130–151); The shadow cat (pp. 152–173); The river guardian's last vigil (pp. 174–191); Bird on a free fall (pp. 192–210); The last voyage (pp. 211–229); The sounds of silence (pp. 230–245); Deceptions of development (pp. 246–269); Afterword (pp. 271–277); Explanations (pp. 278–280); Acknowledgements (pp. 281–288); Endnotes (pp. 289–312); Index (pp. 313–326).
 This is 'an unflinching look at the unacknowledged crisis that India's wildlife faces, bringing to the fore the ecocide that the country's growth story is leaving in its wake ... the author travels to far-flung forests to give an eyewitness account, and an insider's view of India's vanishing natural heritage,' (dust cover blurb).
 Several chapters deal with the plight of birds, especially the Great Indian Bustard, vultures, flamingos, and the skimmer.
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55. **Bindra, Perna Singh. Ed.**
2010. *Voices in the wilderness: Contemporary wildlife writings.* New Delhi, India, Rupa Publications India Pvt. Ltd.
 Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus., cover), pp. i–xvi, 1–237, 19+10 photographs (col., between pp. 80–81, and 144–145, by various photographers).
Contents: half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); conts. (pp. vii–viii); introd. (pp. ix–xvi); Five encounters (pp. 1–13, by M. Krishnan); Curiosity in animals (pp. 15–25, by F.W. Champion); Memories of birding in India (pp. 27–41, by Peter Jackson); Where tigers swim (pp. 43–56, by Bittu Sahgal); Day eight (pp. 57–61, by Valmik Thapar); Looking for mermaids in the Indian Ocean (pp. 63–74, by Hasmukh Hoslo Jiwa); Mammals in the mist: The discovery of the Arunachal Macaque (pp. 75–82, by Charudutt Mishra & Anindya Sinha); My husband and other animals (pp. 83–94, by Janaki Lenin); Saving the Indian

Tiger: Where do we go from here? (pp. 95–106, by K. Ullas Karanth); India's vanishing birds (pp. 107–112, by Bikram Grewal); Corbett–Eternal: In the shadow of Jim's past (pp. 113–122, by Tom Alter); New year at Gopalsamibetta (pp. 123–128, by S. Theodore Baskaran); Barefoot among the turtles (pp. 128–140, by Shekar Dattatri); Memories of Gir (pp. 140–151, by A.J.T. Johnsingh); A pest is born (pp. 153–160, by Ranjit Lal); A letter to Teddy (pp. 161–165, by Amit Chaudhery); The mating tusker (pp. 167–174, by Bivash Pandav); Gabbar Singh and Chomsky in Dalma (pp. 175–187, by Dhriti K. Lahiri Choudhury); Winds of change (pp. 189–200, by Joanna van Gruisen); The leopard (pp. 201–205, by Ruskin Bond); Red cancer green quarry (pp. 207–218, by Prerna Singh Bindra); Our wild heritage—A hope for the future (pp. 219–233, by Kailash Sankhala); Acknowledgements (pp. 235–237).

Bindra 'brings together over twenty distinguished figures in the field—naturalists, scientists, and authors, whose writings paint a vivid picture of India's amazing wildlife ... the collection carries an undertone of conservation, but is essentially a celebration of India's fascinating wildlife ...' (front flap blurb).

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56. **Bindra, Prerna Singh, Sonali Ghosh & Anuranjan Roy. Eds.**

2019. *Wild treasures: Reflections on natural world heritage sites in Asia—An anthology*. New Delhi, India, UNESCO Category 2 Centre on World Heritage Management and Training for Asia and the Pacific Region; Wildlife Institute of India; Aryan Books International.

Hbk. (15 x 22.5 cm, with illus., cover), pp. i–liv, 1–450, 16 photographs (between pp. 122–123, col., various photographers), illustrations (numerous, by Vivek Sarkar).

Contents: half-tit. (p. i); ded. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); Message (p. v, by Shri Ram Nath Kovind, Hon'ble President of India, dated March 08, 2019); letter (p. vii, Ruskin Bond, dated April 1, 2019); map of World Heritage Sites (pp. viii–ix); conts. (pp. xi–xiv); All you wanted to know about natural world heritage: A primer (pp. xv–xxiv, by Sonali Ghosh & Vinod B. Mathur); A treasury of wild words (pp. xxv–xli, by Prerna Singh Bindra); Writing outdoors (pp. xliii–liv, by Stephen Alter); Great Himalayan National Park Conservation Area [Reflections on the Great Himalayan National Park (pp. 2–13, by Payson Stevens); GHNP: The wilds and its people (pp. 14–25, by Sanjeeva Pandey)]; Kaziranga National Park [Kaziranga diaries (pp. 28–35, by Sonali Ghosh); Kaziranga: The gem of India (pp. 36–42, by Asad Rahmani); Back to the future: One hundred years of conservation (pp. 43–49, by Bittu Sahgal & Ranjit Barthakur)]; Keoladeo National Park [The Keoladeo Ghana of Bharatpur (Rajasthan) (pp. 52–60, by Salim Ali); A Bharatpur aficionado remembers (pp. 61–64, by Peter Jackson); Bharatpur: Brushstrokes from the past (pp. 65–71, by Ranjit Lal); Khangchendzonga National Park (pp. 74–88, by Sandeep Tambe); Aspiration (pp. 89–94, by Francis Younghusband)]; Manas Wildlife Sanctuary [Manas: Monkeys and mysteries (pp. 96–104, by E.P. Gee); Monuments men: A story for Manas (pp. 105–115, by Sonali Ghosh); The magic of Manas (pp. 116–121, by Asad Rahmani)]; Royal Manas National Park [Finding culture through nature (pp. 124–128, by Tenzin Wangchuk); Treasures of the Thunder Dragon (pp. 129–131, by Ashi Dori Wangmo Wangchuck)]; Nanda Devi and Valley of Flowers National Parks [In the shadow of Nanda Devi (pp. 134–145, by Samir Sinha); Becoming a mountain (pp. 146–155, by Stephen Alter); On doing nothing (pp. 156–163, by Frank S. Smythe)]; Sundarbans National Park [The Sundarbans inheritance: Protecting a people's legacy (pp. 166–169, by Bittu Sahgal); Sundarban: A mystical tiger swamp (pp. 170–178, by Pradeep Vyas & Cheena Vyas); An epiphany (pp. 179–183, by Amitav Ghosh)]; The Sundarbans [(pp. 186–199, by Ruth Padel); The Princess of Angtiara (pp. 200–204, by Samia Saif)]; Western Ghats [Mountains of the monsoon (pp. 206–209, by Kamal Bawa & Sandesh Kadur); A wealth of wildlife (pp. 210–217, by Prerna Singh Bindra); Cliff goats (pp. 218–224, by E.R.C. Davidar); Kas Plateau: Tackling the tourism tsunami (pp. 225–233, by Prerna Agarwal); A day in Periyar (pp. 234–240, by M. Krishnan); Nagarhole: A world of predators (pp. 241–248, by K. Ullas Karanth); Sacred Groves: Memories of what had been (pp. 249–255, by Erach Bharucha); Silent Valley: Whispers of reason (pp. 256–266, by Sugatha Kumari); A sojourn through the Sahyadris (pp. 267–275, by Girish Punjabi); A more than memorable trek (pp. 276–283, by A.J.T. Johnsingh); Seasons in the sun: An avian rhapsody (pp. 284–296, by Manoj Nair); For all things little (pp. 297–301, by Anuranjan Roy)]; Band-e-Amir (Afghanistan) [Band-e-Amir National Park: A sacred land of azure lakes (pp. 304–314, by Abdul Wali Modaqiq & Richard Paley)]; Central Highlands of Sri Lanka [Wonders hidden in the mist (pp. 316–325, by Dishane Hewavithana, Eric Wikramanayake, Manori Gunawardena & Dhiya Sathananthan); Into the wet: Field notes from Sri Lanka's Wet Zone (pp. 326–332, by Ian Lockwood)]; Chitwan National Park (Nepal) [Kingdom of the unicorn (pp. 334–346, by Alex Dudley); Chitwan: A heavenly abode (pp. 347–352, by Kanchan Thapa)]; Hukaung Valley Wildlife Sanctuary (Myanmar) [The valley of death (pp. 354–370, by Alan Rabinowitz)]; Lut Desert (Iran) [Extreme: The incredible ecosystem of earth's hottest spot (pp. 372–377, by Richard Stone)]; Sagarmatha National Park (Nepal) [Mount Everest: Return of the Snow Leopard (pp. 380–392, by Som B. Vale)]; Sichuan Giant Panda Sanctuaries: Woolong, Mt Siguniang and Jiayin Mountains (China) [A mountain of treasure (pp. 394–410, by George Schaller)]; Western Tien Shan (Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan) [Tien Shan: Mountain of heaven (pp. 412–422, by Koustubh Sharma)]; Notes on contributors (pp. 423–446); Acknowledgements (pp. 447–450, by Prerna Singh Bindra, Sonali Ghosh & Anuranjan Roy, dated 18th April 2019).

This anthology 'is a selection of 45 carefully curated articles ... to take you on a journey across Asia's most beautiful landscapes,' (blurb on front dust cover flap) ... The pieces in this collection have been penned by a broad spectrum of writers. Several articles are dedicated to birds, and many others contain something about them.

Review: Shiv Kunal Verma. 2021. Biblio: A review of books 26 (4–6): 20–21.

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57. **Birkhead, Tim, Jo Wimpenny & Bob Montgomerie.**
2014. *Ten thousand birds: Ornithology since Darwin*. Princeton and Oxford, Princeton University Press.
 Hbk. (20.5 x 25.5 cm, with illus. dust cover, linocut print by Robert Gillmor), pp. i–xx, 1–524, ports. (innumerable B&W, and col., photographs by various photographers).
Contents: half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); conts. (p. v); pref. (pp. vii–xvii); Yesterday's birds (pp. 1–41); The origin and diversification of species (pp. 43–73); Birds on the Tree of Life (pp. 75–115); Ebb and flow (pp. 117–159); Ecological adaptations for breeding (pp. 161–199); Form and function (pp. 201–243); The study of instinct (pp. 245–285); Behavior as adaptation (pp. 287–321); Selection in relation to sex (pp. 323–353); Population studies of birds (pp. 355–387); Tomorrow's birds (pp. 389–423); Afterword (pp. 425–429); Appendix 1: Some histories of Ornithology (pp. 431–433); Appendix 2: Five hundred ornithologists (pp. 434–442); Notes (pp. 443–466); References (pp. 467–496); Index (pp. 497–518); Image credits (pp. 519–524).
 An 'authoritative history of modern ornithology, tracing how the study of birds has been shaped by a succession of visionary and often-controversial personalities, and by the unique social and scientific contexts in which these extraordinary individuals worked,' (blurb on inside front flap of dust cover). The work describes the outstanding work of over seven hundred ornithologists, of the post-Darwin era, in building up the scientific study of birds, and lists the names of an additional five hundred in Appendix 2 (pp. 434–442).
 No ornithologists from South Asia are noticed.
 Appendix 1 (pp. 431–433) lists 24 works, including Pittie (2010).
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58. **Bohra, Padma. Ed.**
2009. *Faunal resources of Tal Chhapar Wildlife Sanctuary, Churu, Rajasthan*. Conservation Area Series, 38. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.
 PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–66, 30 photographs (col.), 1 map.
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 The chapter on Aves (49–56) lists 95 taxa, and lists seven works under References.
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59. **Bohra, Padma. Ed.**
2013. *Faunal exploration of Kumbhalgarh Wildlife Sanctuary, Rajasthan*. Conservation Area Series, 47. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.
 PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–118, pll. (106 col., photographs), 3 maps (col.).
Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); Kumbhalgarh Wildlife Sanctuary: An overview (pp. 1–5, by Padma Bohra); Plant and soil nematodes (pp. 7–29, by Padma Bohra & Razia Sultana); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 31–42, by Gaurav Sharma); Insecta: Lepidoptera (pp. 43–50, by Gaurav Sharma & Satya Narayan Dhadeech); Insecta: Coleoptera: Scarabaeidae: Coprinae (Dung beetles) (pp. 51–66, by Ram Sewak); Herpetofauna (pp. 67–72, by Shalini Gaur & Gaurav Sharma); Aves (pp. 73–85, by Sanjeev Kumar); Mammals (pp. 87–101, by Sanjeev Kumar); Figures and photographs (pp. 103–118).
 The chapter on Aves (pp. 73–85) records 143 taxa from surveys conducted during March 2008, presented in a simple table. Six works are listed under References.
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60. **Bonaparte, Charles Lucien Jules Laurent.**
1850. *Conspectus Generum Avium*. Leiden, Netherlands, E. J. Brill. Vol. I of 2 vols.
 For details see Pittie (2010: 145–146). For dating see Dickinson et al. 2011. *Priority!* ... Northampton, UK: Aves Press Limited. (pp. 75–76.), and Evenhuis (2020: 41).
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61. **Bonaparte, Charles Lucien Jules Laurent.**
1857 (=1855–1857). *Conspectus Generum Avium*. Leiden, Netherlands, E. J. Brill. Vol. II of 2 vols.
 For details see Pittie (2010: 146–147). For dating see Dickinson et al. 2011. *Priority!* ... Northampton, UK: Aves Press Limited. (pp. 76–77), and Evenhuis (2020: 41).
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62. **Bonnaterre, l'Abbé & Louis Jean Pierre Vieillot.**
1790–1823. *Tableau Encyclopédique et Méthodique de Trois Règnes de la Nature. Ornithologie*. 2nd. Paris of 3 or 4 vols.
 For details see Pittie (2010: 147–148). For dating see Dickinson et al. 2011. *Priority!* ... Northampton, UK: Aves Press

Limited. (p. 78), and Evenhuis (2020: 42).

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63. **Brewer, David.**

2018. *Birds new to science: Fifty years of avian discoveries*. London, UK, Christopher Helm.

Hbk. (17 x 24 cm, with illus., cover; no dust cover), pp. 1–416, 80+ photographs (col., various photographers).

Contents: half-tit. (p. 1, illus., col., photo); frontisp. (p. 2); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); conts. (p. 5); acknowledgements (p. 6); Scope of the book (pp. 7–10); Glossary (pp. 10–11); The concept of species (pp. 12–14); Description of the world's birds: An historical perspective (pp. 15–20); Species accounts (pp. 21–340); Future new species (pp. 341–350); Invalid species (pp. 351–361); Future discoveries (pp. 362–364); The ethics of collecting (pp. 365–368); Conservation issues (pp. 369–371); Bibliography (pp. 373–404); Photographic credits (pp. 405–406); Index (pp. 407–415); picture (p. 416).

'This book is a study of all the species birds described new to science since 1960—in all a total of some 288 species. An account is given for each species, including details of how it was discovered, a brief description, details of habitat, food and feeding, breeding, voice, movements if any, the known range, its conservation status and a brief note on its etymology—that is, the origin of the specific (and generic, where appropriate) scientific name, and in some cases the vernacular name,' (p. 7).

From South Asia, lists the following: Serendib Scops Owl *Otus thilohoffmanni* (pp. 67–68), the Nicobar Scops Owl *Otus alius* (p. 69), Naung Mung Scimitar Babbler *Jabouilleia naungmungensis* (pp. 269–270), Nepal Wren-Babbler *Proopyga immaculata* (pp. 274–275), Bugun Liocichla *Liocichla bugunorum* (pp. 281–282), Himalayan Forest Thrush *Zoothera salimalii* (pp. 295–296), and Sillem's Mountain Finch *Carpodacus sillemi* (pp. 318–319). The 'Great Nicobar Rail' *Rallina* sp. (p. 341) is listed under 'Species in the process of description'. The Bugun Liocichla is showcased as a species that was 'described from photographs of a captured specimen and feather samples' (p. 367), by Athreya, R. 2006. *Indian Birds* 2 (4): 82–94.

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63A. **Bruce, Murray Duncan.**

[2022]. In press. *The Genera of Birds (1844-1849) by George Robert Gray: A review of its part publication, dates, new names, suppressed content and other details*. *Sherbornia*. PDF text 209 pp., plus c.20 pp. illustrations.

A comprehensive analysis and review of the three volumes of *The Genera of Birds*, originally published in 50 parts, with three suppressed parts replaced later. For the first time the 96 new names (25 genera, 71 species) are correctly cited to part, page and plate, or plates, as necessary. A number of the new names and other issues raised by this analysis are discussed, a few at length. Topics discussed include status of names, dating corrections of books and journal issues, overlooked names, authorship, spelling errors and other miscellany. A summary of Gray's classification is appended, breaking down the details to generic level, indicating the extent of what was known by mid-19th century of bird species. A reference list covers over 450 titles. Numerous details are footnoted throughout. *The Genera of Birds* coincided with work by G.R. Gray on Brian Hodgson's Nepal collection, publishing a Catalogue with J.E. Gray in 1847 after G.R. Gray had previously used a list of Nepalese birds published by Hodgson in 1844. Many Hodgson names used throughout, some new here, others part of discussions. Also covered are a few names discussed by Blyth, Jerdon, and Stuart Baker. In addition, all species known at the time were listed for the genera where they were placed.

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64. **Buckton, Seb & Pete Morris.**

1998. *India and Nepal: Dec. 1989 - June 1990. A comprehensive trip report, giving details of the birds seen and the sites, including how to get there, accommodation and food, and ID., hints*. U.K, Oriental Bird Club.

Pbk. (21.0 x 29.5cm, with illus. cover), 1 pr. l. (map), pp. 1–109, 9 line drawings (by: "S.T.B."), 33 maps.

Contents: Map; Introduction (pp. 1–8); Acknowledgements (p. 9); Itinerary (p. 10); Site details with maps (pp. 11–76); Systematic list of species seen in India and Nepal (pp. 77–95); Appendix I—A list of the mammals seen on the trip (p. 96); Appendix 2—Scientific names of species mentioned in the report (pp. 97–109).

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65. **Burton, Edmund Francis. (1820–1902)**

1888. *An Indian olio*. London, Spencer Blackett.

Hbk. (size unknown, tooled front cover), pp. i–xii, 1–388, illus. 1–8 (by the author, and Miss C.G.M. Burton [spouse?]).

Contents: half-tit., imp., frontisp., tit. (pp. i–iv); conts. (pp. v–xi); list of illus. (p. xii); Chapter I: Madras ... (pp. 1–20); Chapter II: Vellore ... (pp. 21–44); Chapter III: Trichinopoly ... (pp. 45–67); Chapter IV: Journeys in South India ... (pp. 68–91); Chapter V: Cummum Valley ... (pp. 92–119); Chapter VI: The Blue Mountains ... (pp. 120–141); Chapter VII: Mysore and Bangalore ... (pp. 142–162); Chapter VIII: Cuddapah ... (pp. 163–182); Chapter IX: Cumbum ... (pp. 183–201); Chapter X: Bellary ... (pp. 202–223); Chapter XI: Secunderabad ... (pp. 224–245); Chapter XII: The streets of Hyderabad ... (pp. 246–265); Chapter XIII: Kamptee ... (pp. 266–289); Chapter XIV: Nagpore ... (pp. 290–309); Chapter XV: The Northern Circars ... (pp. 310–331); Chapter XVI: The western coast of India ... (pp. 332–349); Chapter XVII: A command in Burmah ... (pp. 350–370); Chapter XVIII: From Rangoon to Calcutta ... (pp. 371–388).

This is Lieutenant-General Edmund Francis Burton's (1820–1902)* account of 'subjects of general interest' from his travels in the Indian Subcontinent. It is littered with hunting stories, cultural and historical anecdotes, and natural history observations, many concerning birds. He had eleven (?) children, among whom were Brig. Gen. Reginald Geoffrey Burton (1864–1951), and Lieut Col Richard Watkins Burton (1868–1963), both of whom contributed to Indian natural history through their papers and books. All three were officers of the Indian Army.

In chapter III (pp. 45–67), the author writes about T.C. Jerdon maintaining, 'many years ago', a 'staff of native artists' at Trichinopoly [=Thiruchirappalli], and teaching them to paint on 'rice paper or on sheets of talc' (p. 61). This is, perhaps, the first documentation of Jerdon's involvement of native Indians in painting natural history.

<PDF copy held. Source: <https://www.geni.com/people/Edmund-Burton-General/6000000081324428918>>

66. Byju H.

2020. *Valley of hope: Moyar and vultures*. Kerala, India, Don Books.

Pbk. (14 x 21 cm, with illus., cover), pp. 1–204, 43 photographs (col., by author), 21 photographs (B&W, by author).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); portr. (B&W, of author); Byju. H (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); Conts. (p. 5); Acknowledgements (pp. 7–8); Introd. (pp. 9–11); An unexpected call (pp. 13–18); Welcome to Northern Hay (pp. 21–26); A walk to remember (pp. 29–35); Are we the real custodians (pp. 37–43); In search of tiger (pp. 45–51); Rendezvous with tiger (pp. 53–59); Moyar Valley...amazing landscape (pp. 61–67); ; Siriur village (pp. 69–74); Searching for nests @ Sathyamangalam (pp. 77–83); Jagalikkadavru (pp. 85–92); Araikkadavu—elephant death (pp. 95–103); Meeting point (pp. 105–112); Bhoothanatham—nesting season (pp. 115–123); Moyar floods—change in season (pp. 125–132); Tribals and children—STR (pp. 135–141); Tribals of MTR (pp. 143–150); Elephant rescue (pp. 153–159); Synchronised survey (pp. 161–167); Ray of hope (pp. 169–176); Interesting facts (p. 179); Picture bay (pp. 181–204).

'This is neither a book on Vultures nor one on Moyar Valley but a diary of wildlife relish. It emphasis [sic] on the several visits in search of vultures in the landscape exploring the biodiversity as it is seen through the eyes of an environmental enthusiast and not entirely through the eyes of scientific prism [sic] or fiction. I have tried to observe and capture some of the original inhabitants of the landscape, its diverse wildlife and also the importance of vultures in Moyar Valley,' (back cover blurb).

Review: Pavendhan A., 2020. *Zoo's Print* 35 (6): 41–42.

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67. Carr, Peter.

2011. *A guide to the birds of the British Indian Ocean Territory*. Newbury, UK, Pisces Publications, for RSPB.

Pbk. (15 x 21 cm, with illus., cover), pp. i–vi, 1–110, 124 photographs (col., various photographers), 1–13 maps, and diagrams (by Chris Burr).

Contents: tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); foreword (p. iv, by Colin Roberts CVO, HM Commissioner, BIOT); acknowledgements (p. v); Visiting the British Indian Ocean Territory (p. vi); The British Indian Ocean Territory: Introduction (pp. 1–4); Man's impact on the avian populations of the British Indian Ocean Territory (pp. 5–10); Bird conservation in the British Indian Ocean Territory (pp. 11–16); Birdwatching in the British Indian Ocean Territory (pp. 17–29); Locating and identifying 50 common birds of the British Indian Ocean Territory (pp. 30–33); Introduced species (pp. 34–39); Seabirds (pp. 40–63); Landbirds (pp. 64–92); Checklist of the birds of the British Indian Ocean Territory (pp. 93–103); List of non-bird species mentioned in the text with scientific names (p. 104); References (pp. 105–107); Index (pp. 108–110).

Photographers: Chris Patrick, Janet Prushansky, Ian Lewis, Steve Copsey, Mark Cutts, Andy Williams, Nestor Guzman, Mike Watson (Birdquest), Neil Cheshire, Claire Jones, Martyn Dorey, Zoë Townsley, Roger Dickie, Ted Morris, Jean Evans, Glen Tepke, Nigel Phillips, Rihard Jeanne, Derek Wilby, Derek Osborn/RSPB, and Amelia Dubec.

Notes for each species include status and distribution, identification guide, similar species, and local notes.

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68. Chadwell, Christopher, Simon Delany, Clive Denby, John Norton, Clare Sulston & Anne White.

1982. *University of Southampton Ladakh expedition 1980*. Southampton, UK, University of Southampton.

PDF. Pp. 2 ll., 1–217, photographs 1–51 (B&W), maps.

Contents: Tit., imp., conts., map (2 ll.); Abstract (p. 1); Suru Valley map (p. 2); introd. (p. 3); map (p. 4); Ornithology (pp. 5–153); Botany (pp. 154–185); Appendices (pp. 186–203); photographs (pp. 204–217).

This is a type-written report on the results the University of Southampton's Ladakh Expedition in 1980, a watershed in the study of high altitude ornithology in north-western India. This 1980 expedition was a follow-up on earlier University of Southampton expeditions to the north-western Himalayas in 1976 and 1977. 'Nearly 2,700 birds of 35 species were ringed... Seventeen of the bird species either trapped or observed were...previously unrecorded in Ladakh including one species which was new for the Indian sub-continent' (p. 1). Appendix A (pp. 186–189) lists 159 species.

The section on ornithology is authored by Simon Delany, Clive Denby, and John Norton (pp. 5–153). It comprises the following sections: Outline of fieldwork (pp. 5–12); Notes on the systematic lists (pp. 12–13); The summer survey of birds in the Suru Valley (pp. 13–46); The autumn migration study in the Upper Indus Valley (pp. 47–150); Bibliography (pp. 151–153).

The section on botany (pp. 154–185) is authored by Christopher Chadwell, Clare Sulston, and Anne White.

The eight (A–H) appendices (pp. 186–201) are authored by Simon Delany and comprise: A. Total list of birds recorded on the 1980 expedition (pp. 186–189); B. Accounts (pp. 190–192); C. Food (pp. 192–194); D. Equipment and expendable supplies (pp. 194–196); E. Medical (pp. 196–198); F. Organisation and logistics (pp. 199–200); G. Future work on ornithological programme (p. 201); Acknowledgements (pp. 201–203).

The bibliography lists 50 works.

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69. **Chakraborty, Rina. Ed.**

2008. *Vertebrate fauna of Kangerghati, Guru Ghasidas and Sanjay National Parks (Madhya Pradesh and Chhatisgarh)*.

Conservation Area Series, 36. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–264, 59 photographs (col.), 4 maps.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); Vertebrate fauna of Kangerghati, Guru Ghasidas and Sanjay National Parks: An overview (pp. 1–35, by Rina Chakraborty); Mammalia (pp. 37–68, by Rina Chakraborty); Aves (pp. 69–180, by Rina Chakraborty); Reptilia (pp. 181–208, by Rina Chakraborty, N. C. Gayen & Subrata Kar); Amphibia (pp. 209–220, by K. Deuti); Pisces: Freshwater fishes (pp. 221–263, by Subrata Kar).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 69–180) covers 198 taxa, and in a table, their occurrence or absence in the three national parks is marked. Under systematic notes for each taxon, the author gives details of: Scientific name, common name(s), diagnosis, habitat, distribution, elsewhere, residential status, and remarks. Thirty-four works are listed under References. A table (pp. 179–180) is entitled: 'A list of names used by Ripley (1982) and standardised by Manakadan and Pittie (2001)'.

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70. **Chakraborty, Rina.**

2011. *Mammalian and avian faunal diversity in Damodar Valley under DVC project area*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 328. Kolkata, India. Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk., pp. i–ii, 1–49, pll., 1–28 (col.).

Contents: Introduction (p. 1); Topography (pp. 2–5); Study area and methodology (p. 6); Observations (pp. 6–30); Result and discussion (pp. 31–35); Acknowledgements, summary, references (pp. 36–38).

Lists 221 taxa of birds.

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71. **Chakravarty, Rohan.**

2019. *Bird business: Illustrated peeks into the daily lives of Indian birds*. Mumbai, India, Bombay Natural History Society.

Pbk. (29.5 x 21.5 cm, with illus., cover), pp. i–x, 1–106, numerous illus., (col., by author).

Contents: advt. (inside front cover); half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); conts. (pp. vii–viii); foreword (pp. ix, by T.R. Shankar Raman); introd. (p. x); Bird business (pp. 1–102); index (pp. 103–104); Bibliography (p. 105); acknowledgements (p. 106); about the author (inside back cover).

In this work the author, a cartoonist and illustrator, offers a glimpses into the lives of one hundred species, amalgamating, in his special way, natural history, art, science, and humour.

Reviews: Suniti Bhushan Datta. 2020. *Biblio* 25 (1–3): 35.

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72. **Chandra, Kailash. Ed.**

2008. *Faunal diversity of Jabalpur District, Madhya Pradesh*. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Hbk. (20.5 x 27.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. [i–iv], 1–417, 20 pll., (col., with 112 photographs), 1 map.

Contents: Tit. [p. i]; imp. [p. ii]; Conts. [pp. iii–iv]; An overview (pp. 1–28, by Kailash Chandra); Annelida: Oligochaeta (pp. 29–53, by Rahul Paliwal); Acari: Plant mites (pp. 55–61, by Y. N. Gupta); Crustacea (Ostracodea) (pp. 63–75, by D. K. Harshey); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 77–92, by Mahabir Prasad & S. K. Mishra); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 93–103, by M. S. Shishodia); Insecta: Dermaptera (pp. 105–108, by G. K. Srivastava); Insecta: Hemiptera (Aquatic & semi-aquatic) (pp. 109–140, by G. Thirumalai & R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Hemiptera (pp. 141–157, by Kailash Chandra); Insecta: Coleoptera (pp. 159–18, by Kailash Chandra); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera & Grypocera (pp. 187–207, by R. K. Singh & M. L. Koshta); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Heterocera (pp. 203–229, by Kailash Chandra); Pisces: Freshwater fishes (pp. 225–274, by H. S. Sharma); Amphibia (pp. 275–280, by Kailash Chandra); Reptilia (pp. 281–297, by Kailash Chandra & Pawan Gajbe); Aves (pp. 299–375, by Kailash Chandra & Anil Mahabal); Mammalia (pp. 377–402, by D. K. Harshey & Kailash Chandra); Annexure-I (pp. 403–417).

The checklist of birds (pp. 301–311) comprises 194 spp. The annotated list gives brief details under the following sub-headings: material examined, diagnosis, distribution, and elsewhere. Eighteen references are listed.

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73. Chandra, Kailash. Ed.

2008. *Fauna of Pachmarhi Biosphere Reserve (Madhya Pradesh)*. Conservation Area Series, 39. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–380+20, pll. 1–20 (col., 108 photographs), 1 map.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (pp. iii–iv); Pachmarhi Biosphere Reserve: An overview (pp. 1–7, by Kailash Chandra); Mammalia (pp. 9–41, by D. K. Harshey & Kailash Chandra); Aves (pp. 43–116, by Kailash Chandra & Anil Mahabal); Reptilia (pp. 117–128, by Kailash Chandra); Amphibia (pp. 129–134, by P. K. Chanda & S. Ray); Pisces: Freshwater fishes (pp. 135–173, by H. S. Sharma); Plant mites (pp. 175–184, by Y. N. Gupta); Solifugae (p. 185, by Pawan Gajbe); Araneae (pp. 187–201, by Pawan Gajbe); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 203–212, by Mahabir Prasad & S. K. Mishra); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 213–246, by Sunil Kumar Gupta & M. S. Shishodia); Insecta: Hemiptera (pp. 247–257, by Kailash Chandra); Insecta: Coleoptera (pp. 259–299, by Kailash Chandra); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera (pp. 301–336, by R. K. Singh & M. L. Koshta); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Heterocera (pp. 337–354, by Kailash Chandra); Mollusca (pp. 355–362, by S. G. Patil); Annelida: Oligochaeta (pp. 363–374, by Rahul Paliwal); Appendix (pp. 375–380).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 43–116) covers 255 taxa, sighted during 2000–2003, presented in a table. A systematic account gives the following details for each taxon: Scientific name, English name, references, observations, and distribution. Twenty-one references are listed.

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74. Chandra, Kailash. Ed.

2009. *Fauna of Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve (Madhya Pradesh)*. Conservation Area Series, 40. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF, pp. i–iv, 1–291, pll. 1–20 (col., 103 photographs), map (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (pp. iii–iv); Fauna of Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve: An overview (pp. 1–24, by); Odonata (pp. 25–38, by S. K. Mishra); Orthoptera (pp. 39–57, by Sunil Kumar Gupta); Mantodea (pp. 59–61, by Kailash Chandra); Hemiptera (Aquatic and semi-aquatic) (pp. 63–70, by G. Thirumalai & R. M. Sharma); Neuroptera (pp. 71–73, by Kailash Chandra & J. Thilak); Diptera: Cecidomyiidae (Gall midges) (pp. 75–79, by R. M. Sharma); Coleoptera: Scarabaeidae (pp. 81–88, by Kailash Chandra); Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera and Grypocera (pp. 89–129, by K. Chandra, R. M. Sharma & M. L. Koshta); Lepidoptera: Heterocera (pp. 131–140, by Kailash Chandra); Acari: Tetranychidae (Mites) (pp. 141–146, by Y. N. Gupta); Pisces (pp. 147–160, by J. Thilak); Appendix: Amphibia (pp. 161–162); Reptilia (pp. 163–177, by Kailash Chandra & R. P. Gupta); Aves (pp. 179–270, by Kailash Chandra & R. P. Gupta); Mammalia (pp. 271–291, by D. K. Harshey).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 179–270, by Kailash Chandra & R. P. Gupta) records 252 taxa from 'representative areas of different habitats of the Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve...from 2004 to 2007' (p. 179). Species accounts give the following details: Order, Family, complete scientific binomen, English name, Ali & Ripley's *Handbook* reference, observation localities, status and distribution, habitat, and food. Nine works are listed under References.

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75. Chandra, Kailash. Ed.

2014. *Fauna of Achanakmar-Amarkantak Biosphere Reserve, Chhattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh*. Conservation Area Series, 49. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–292+24, pll. I–XXIV (172 col., photographs between pp. 12–13), 4 maps (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); An overview (pp. 1–14, by Kailash Chandra); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 15–26, by M. Prasad); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 27–82, by Sunil Kumar Gupta & M. S. Shishodia); Insecta: Dermaptera (pp. 83–85, by G. K. Srivastava); Insecta: Mantodea (pp. 87–90, by T. K. Mukherjee, A. K. Hazra & P. Chatterjee); Neuroptera (pp. 91–96, by Kailash Chandra & J. Thilak); Insecta: Coleoptera (Scarabaeidae) (pp. 97–109, by Kailash Chandra); Insecta: Diptera (pp. 111–128, by Bulganin Mitra & P. Pauri); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera (Butterflies) (pp. 129–155, by Ajeet Singh & Kailash Chandra); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Heterocera (Moths) (pp. 157–183, by Kailash Chandra & D. K. Nema); Pisces (pp. 185–204, by J. Thilak & Praveen Ojha); Reptilia (pp. 209–218, by Kailash Chandra & V. K. Pandey); Aves (pp. 219–272, by Kailash Chandra); Mammalia (pp. 273–284, by D. K. Harshey); Appendix-I (pp. 285–287); Summary (pp. 288–289); Acknowledgements (p. 290); General references (pp. 290–292).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 219–272) lists 215 taxa, and lists seven works under References. It contains a tabulated checklist, and an annotated checklist with scientific name, English name, original complete scientific binomen, and distribution.

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76. Chandra, Kailash, Anil Mahabal, Rajendra Prasad Gupta & D. K. Nema

2006. *Avifauna of Kanha Tiger Reserve (Madhya Pradesh)*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 250. Kolkata, India. Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18.5 x 24 cm, with illus. cover), 3 pr. ll., pp. 1–214+12, pll. I–XII (72 col. photos), 1 map.

Contents: Tit., imp., foreword (July, 2006, by Dr J.R.B. Alfred), acknowledgements (authors), conts. (pr. ll.); Introd. (p. 1); Study area and methods (pp. 1–3); Vegetation (p. 3); Kanha Tiger Reserve (map, p. 4); Table 1: Birds of KTR showing localities, status, habitat and feeding habits (pp. 5–36); Systematic account (pp. 37–170); Observations and results (pp. 170–173);

Conservation status (p. 174); References (pp. 175–176); Table 2: Bird species new records for Kanha Tiger Reserve (KTR) and Madhya Pradesh (M.P.) (pp. 177–178); Table 3: Avian diversity in Kanha Tiger Reserve (p. 179); Table 4: Range-wise observation on birds (number of birds & density) of KTR (pp. 179–194); Table 5: Month-wise observation on birds (number of birds & density) of KTR (pp. 195–214); Pl. I–XII (6 ll.).

The title of this publication varies: On the cover it is, *Avifauna of Kanha Tiger Reserve Madhya Pradesh, India*, on the tit. p., *Avifauna of Kanha Tiger Reserve (Madhya Pradesh)*, and in [recommended] citation, *Avifauna of Kanha Tiger Reserve Madhya Pradesh*.

Lists 297 avian taxa.

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76A. Chandra, Kailash, Amitava Majumder & Gopinathan Maheswaran.

2020. *Birds of the Sundarban Biosphere Reserve*. Kolkata, India, Director, Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (11.5 x 22 cm, with illus., cover), pp. i–xvii, 18–248, 2 maps (col., endpapers, by Anindya Naskar), 547 photographs (col., 28 photographers), 31 ports. (col., authors, and photographers); .

Contents: Sundarban Biosphere Reserve map (col., fold-out front endpaper); tit. (p. i); Disclaimer and imp. (p. ii); photograph (p. iii, col.); conts. (pp. iv–v, photo); photograph (p. vi, col.); Foreword (p. vii, by Ravi Kant Sinha, dated 21 September 2020); photograph (p. viii, col.); Pref. (p. ix, by Kailash Chandra); Introd. (pp. x–xiii); Acknowledgements (pp. xiv–xv); Body parts of a bird (p. xvi); How to use this book (p. xvii); Species accounts (pp. 18–231); Common name index (pp. 232–235); Scientific name index (pp. 236–239); References (p. 240); Photo credits (pp. 241–245); Field notes (pp. 246–248, blank); Sundarban Tiger Reserve map (col., fold-out back endpaper).

This slim pocket book illustrates 428 species, with 112 additional photographs of dimorphic and breeding plumages. The list is compiled from earlier publications and updated digital media, and includes birds from the Bangladesh Sundarbans region.

Each page contains two species and presents the following brief information: Rarity denoting colour-coded title bar, with English and scientific names; Order; Family; large col., photograph of taxon; inset photo of variation/breeding form/different sex; locality record in Sundarban; general information containing details on description, size, habitat, best season for viewing, distribution, and IUCN status. The photographs are of a high quality. The photo credits section contains brief-biographies of the photographers, and lists the species number of their photographs.

Spellings of several place names differ between the maps and the text.

The references list ten sources.

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76B. Chandra, Kailash, C. Raghunathan & A. A. Mao. Eds.

2020. *Biodiversity profile of East Kolkata wetlands*. Kolkata, India, Zoological Survey of India & East Kolkata Wetlands Management Authority.

Hbk. (21 x 30 cm, with illus., embossed dust cover), pp. 1–328, innum., photos (col.), text-figs., maps.

Contents: tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); message (p. 3, by Saumen Kumar Mahapatra, dt. 12 June 2020); Foreword (p. 4, by Vivek Kumar); Pref. (p. 5, by Kailash Chandra); Contributing authors (pp. 6–9); conts. (pp. 10–11); East Kolkata wetlands—an overview (pp. 12–25, by Kailash Chandra, C. Raghunathan & A. A. Mao); East Kolkata wetlands—history and significance (pp. 26–31, by Somenath Bhattacharya, Biswajit Roy Chowdhury & J. R. B. Alfred); Physico-chemical analysis of East Kolkata wetlands and its future aspects (pp. 32–47, by Inderjeet Tyagi, Vikas Kumar, Koamud Tyagi, Rakesh Bhutiani, Faheem Ahamad, Nitish Kumar & Kailash Chandra); Protozoa: free living Ciliates (pp. 48–53, by Daizy Bharti, Santosh Kumar & Kailash Chandra); Protozoa: free-living Testate Amoebae (pp. 54–63, by Jasmine Purushothaman, Chitra J., & C. Raghunathan); Rotifera (pp. 64–69, by Chitra J.); Nematoda: Dorylaimida & Tylenchida (pp. 70–75, by Debabrata Sen & Anjum N. Rizvi); Acari: Mites (pp. 76–83, by Shelley Acharya); Arachnida: Araneae—spiders (pp. 84–89, by John T. D. Caleb); Crustacea: Cladocera (pp. 90–95, by Chitra J.); Crustacea: Ostracoda (pp. 96–99, by Chitra J.); Crustacea: Copepoda (pp. 100–103, by Chitra J.); Crustacea: Crabs and shrimps (pp. 104–111, by K. Valarmathi); Apterygota (pp. 112–117, by G. P. Mandal, K. K. Suman & K. K. Bhattacharya); Odonata: Dragonflies and damselflies (pp. 118–123, by Emiliyamma, K. G.); Orthoptera: Grasshoppers and crickets (pp. 124–133, by Sunil Kumar Gupta, Kailash Chandra & Suresh Chand); Blattodea: Isoptera—termites (pp. 134–139, by Rituparna Sengupta & Rajmohana K.); Hemiptera (Terrestrial) (pp. 140–147, by Kailash Chandra, M. E. Hassan, P. C. Saha, Sandeep Kushwaha, Paramita Mukherjee, Jhikmik Dasgupta, Susmita Khanra, Kusumala Suman, Rahul Mondal & Sonam Jahan); Hemiptera (Aquatic and semi-aquatic bugs) (pp. 148–153, by Kailash Chandra, Jennifer Lyngdoh, Srimoyee Basu, M. F. Hassan & Sandeep Kushwaha); Hymenoptera: Formicidae—ants (pp. 154–163, by Sheela, S., Arnab, M., Nabasri, B., & Paromita, M.); Hymenoptera: Vespidae (pp. 164–169, by P. C. Mazumdar, A. Rameshkumar & S. I. Kazmi); Hymenoptera: Chalcididae (pp. 170–173, by Rameshkumar, A., N. Basak & S. Sheela); Hymenoptera: Encyrtidae (pp. 174–179, by Rameshkumar, A., S. I. Kazmi & B. Majumder); Coleoptera: Beetles (pp. 180–187, by Priyanka Das, Joyjit Ghosh, Debika Bhunia, Sujit Kumar Ghosh, Devanshu Gupta & Kailash Chandra); Lepidoptera: Butterflies (pp. 188–191, by Purnendu Mishra, Suresh K. Shah & Jalil Ahmad); Lepidoptera: Moths (pp. 192–197, by Jalil Ahmad, Suresh K. Shah, P. C. Pathania & Navneet Singh); Diptera: True flies (pp. 198–209, by Dhriti Banerjee, Atanu Naskar & Jayita Sengupta); Mollusca: Gastropods and bivalves (pp. 210–221, by Basudev Tripathy & Sheikh Sajan); Pisces: Fishes (pp. 222–235, by Asha Kiran Tudu, Shibnanda Rath, Kaushik Deuti & Laishram Kosygin); Amphibians and reptiles (pp. 236–243, by Kaushik Deuti & P. G. S. Sethy); Aves—Birds (pp. 244–255, by Gopinathan

Maheswaran & Imran Alam); Mammalia—mammals (pp. 256–259, by M. Kamalakannan & C. Venkatraman); Macro-fungi (pp. 260–265, by Manoj Emanuel Hembrom); Freshwater algae (pp. 266–281, by Pritha Basu, R. K. Gupta & Sudipta Kumar Das); Bryophytes (pp. 282–289, by Devendra Singh); Agro-flora (pp. 290–297, by Basant Kumar Singh, K. Karthigeyan, Onkar Nath Maurya & Kumar Avinash Bharati); Floral diversity (pp. 298–317, by K. Karthigeyan, Onkar Nath Maurya, Basant Kumar Singh & Kumar Avinash Bharati); Invasive alien plants (pp. 318–326, by K. Karthigeyan, Basant Kumar Singh, Kumar Avinash Bharati & Onkar Nath Maurya); photo (pp. 327–328).

This work profiles the biodiversity of the East Kolkata Wetlands complex. The chapter on birds (pp. pp. 244–255) lists 124 spp., and suffers from slipshod editing.

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77. Chandra, Kailash, C. Raghunathan & Tamal Mondal. Eds.

2017. *Faunal diversity of Great Nicobar Biosphere Reserve. Conservation Area Series, 61.* Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–vi, 1–334, 35 pll. (215 col., photographs), 11 maps (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (pp. iii–v); An overview (pp. 1–24, by Kailash Chandra & C. Raghunathan); Phytoplankton (pp. 25–30, by C. Raghunathan); Zooplankton (pp. 31–38, by C. Raghunathan); Meio-benthos (pp. 39–47, by C. Raghunathan); Sponges (pp. 49–56, by C. Raghunathan & Preeti Pareira); Scleractinian corals (pp. 57–74, by Tamal Mondal & C. Raghunathan); Octocorals (pp. 75–84, by S. Rajendra & C. Raghunathan); Sea anemones (pp. 85–93, by Smitanjali Choudhury & C. Raghunathan); Polyclads (pp. 95–100, by Sudhanshu Dixit & C. Raghunathan); Arachnida: Spiders (pp. 101–102, by Kailash Chandra); Arachnida: Scorpions (pp. 103–104, by); Crustacea: Brachyuran crabs (pp. 105–114, by S. Kumaralingam & C. Raghunathan); Crustacea: Shrimps (pp. 115–122, by S. Kumaralingam & C. Raghunathan); Crustacea: Lobsters (pp. 123–127, by S. Kumaralingam & C. Raghunathan); Insecta: Odonates (pp. 129–131, by S. Rajeshkumar & Kailash Chandra); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 133–138, by Kailash Chandra); Insecta: Homoptera: Aquatic and semi-aquatic Heteroptera (pp. 139–144, by Kailash Chandra & Eyarin Jehamalar); Insecta: Coleoptera (pp. 145–152, by Kailash Chandra); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Butterflies (pp. 153–158, by Kailash Chandra & S. Rajeshkumar); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Moths (pp. 159–167, by Kailash Chandra); Molluscs (pp. 169–184, by Kayal Vizhi & C. Raghunathan); Opisthobranchs (pp. 185–194, by C. Raghunathan & Sudhanshu Dixit); Echinoderms (pp. 195–205, by Naveen Kumar Nigam & C. Raghunathan); Ascidiars (pp. 207–214, by Jhimli Mondal & C. Raghunathan); Fishes (pp. 215–244, by S. Rajendra & C. Raghunathan); Amphibians (pp. 245–247, by V. Rangasamy & Kailash Chandra); Reptiles (pp. 249–258, by S. Rajeshkumar, V. Rangasamy & Kailash Chandra); Birds (pp. 259–270, by S. Rajeshkumar & Kailash Chandra); Mammals (pp. 271–289, by S. Rajeshkumar, C. Raghunathan & Kailash Chandra); Endemic and endangered species of GNBR (pp. 291–298, by Kailash Chandra, C. Raghunathan & Tamal Mondal); Plates (pp. 299–334).

The chapter on Birds (pp. 259–270) lists 71 taxa, and seventeen works under References. It contains a tabulated checklist that gives distribution of taxa from six areas. Thirty-six taxa are listed in Table 4, entitled 'Endemic vertebrates of Great Nicobar Island' (pp. 296–297). However, the distribution column does not restrict itself to the Great Nicobar Island, but includes 'Nicobar Is', 'A & N Is', and 'Great Nicobar Is'.

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78. Chandra, Kailash & P. T. Rajan.

2004. *Faunal diversity of Mount Harriet National Park (South Andaman).* Conservation Area Series, 17. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–142+20, 20 pll. (col., 53 photographs), 1 map

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (pp. iii–xxi); introd. (p. 1); Location (pp. 1–2); Vegetation (pp. 2–4); Climate, Temperature, and Rainfall (p. 5); Fauna (pp. 5–8); Threats and conservation (pp. 8–9); Annexure I: Fauna of Mount Harriet National Park, South Andaman: Invertebrates (pp. 10–95); Pisces (Fishes) (pp. 95–99); Amphibia (pp. 99–100); Reptilia (pp. 100–108); Aves (Birds) (pp. 108–131); Mammals (pp. 131–134); Summary (p. 134); Acknowledgements (p. 135); References (pp. 135–142); pll. (col., 53 photographs by various photographers).

The section on Aves deals with 91 taxa, giving information on scientific name, English name, references, status, and distribution in the national park. One hundred and twenty works are listed under References.

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79. Chandra, Kailash & S. Sambath. Eds.

2016. *Faunal diversity of Veerangana Durgawati Wildlife Sanctuary, District Damoh, Madhya Pradesh. Conservation Area Series, 56.* Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–vi, 1–393, pll. 1–28 (148 col., photographs), 1 map (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); pref. (p. iii, by authors); conts. (p. v–vi); Faunal diversity of Veerangana Durgawati Wildlife Sanctuary: An overview (pp. 1–5, by Kailash Chandra & S. Sambath); Rotifera (pp. 7–22, by J. Thilak); Crustacea: Cladocera (pp. 23–34, by J. Thilak); Arachnida: Araneaea (pp. 35–54, by Sachin R. Patil & S. Talukdar); Arachnida: Scorpionida, Solifugae and Uropygi (pp. 55–60, by Sachin R. Patil, S. S. Talmale & S. Sambath); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 61–84, by S. S. Talmale); Insecta: Mantodea (pp. 85–87, by S. Sambath); Insecta: Hemiptera (pp. 89–108, by Kailash Chandra, Sandeep Kushwaha & S. Sambath); Insecta: Neuroptera (pp. 109–113, by J. Thilak); Insecta: Coleoptera: Scarabaeoidea: Hybosoridae and Scarabaeidae

(pp. 115–150, by Kailash Chandra & Devanshu Gupta); Insecta: Coleoptera: Coccinellidae (pp. 151–153, by S. Sambath); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera (pp. 155–171, by R. M. Sharma & S. Sambath); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Heterocera (pp. 173–213, by Kailash Chandra & S. Sambath); Freshwater and land Mollusca (pp. 215–226, by Sachin R. Patil); Pisces (pp. 227–240, by J. Thilak); Amphibia (pp. 241–247, by S. S. Talmale, S. Sambath & Kailash Chandra); Reptilia (pp. 249–269, by S. S. Talmale, S. Sambath & Kailash Chandra); Aves (pp. 271–332, by Kailash Chandra, S. S. Talmale, S. Sambath); Mammalia (pp. 333–352, by D. K. Harshey & S. S. Talmale); Annexure (pp. 353–393); Plates 1–28.

The chapter on Aves (pp. 271–332) lists 191 taxa in a systematic account that provides the following details: Order, Family, scientific name, references, common name, observation localities, residential status and distribution, and conservation status. It lists twenty-two works under References. The Annexure includes a systematic list of the Class Aves (pp. 382–391).

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80. **Chandra, Kailash & S. Sambath. Eds.**

2019. *Faunal diversity of Singhori Wildlife Sanctuary, District Raisen, Madhya Pradesh. Conservation Area Series, 57.* Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–vi, 1–394, pll. 1–28 (150 col., photographs), 1 map (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); pref. (p. iii, by authors); conts. (p. v–vi); Faunal diversity of Singhori Wildlife Sanctuary: An overview (pp. 1–4, by Kailash Chandra & S. Sambath); Protozoa: Rhizopoda (pp. 5–10, by J. Thilak); Rotifera (pp. 11–20, by J. Thilak); Cladocera (pp. 21–31, by J. Thilak); Crustacea: Ostracoda (pp. 33–38, by D. K. Harshey & J. Thilak); Arachnida: Araneaea (pp. 39–57, by Sachin R. Patil & S. Talukdar); Arachnida: Scorpionida and Solifugae (pp. 59–62, by Sachin R. Patil, S. S. Talmale & S. Sambath); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 63–86, by S. S. Talmale); Insecta: Mantodea (pp. 87–91, by S. Sambath); Insecta: Hemiptera (pp. 93–111, by Kailash Chandra, Sandeep Kushwaha & S. Sambath); Insecta: Neuroptera (pp. 113–119, by J. Thilak); Insecta: Coleoptera: Scarabaeoidea (pp. 121–153, by Kailash Chandra & Devanshu Gupta); Insecta: Coleoptera: Coccinellidae (pp. 155–158, by S. Sambath); Insecta: Coleoptera: Chrysomelidae (pp. 159–161, by Kailash Chandra & Sandeep Kushwaha); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera (pp. 163–184, by R. M. Sharma & S. Sambath); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Heterocera (pp. 185–215, by Kailash Chandra & S. Sambath); Freshwater and land Mollusca (pp. 217–230, by Sachin R. Patil); Pisces (pp. 231–244, by J. Thilak); Amphibia (pp. 245–251, by S. S. Talmale, S. Sambath & Kailash Chandra); Reptilia (pp. 253–269, by S. S. Talmale, S. Sambath & Kailash Chandra); Aves (pp. 271–328, by S. S. Talmale, S. Sambath & M. E. Limje); Mammalia (pp. 329–350, by D. K. Harshey & S. S. Talmale); Annexure (pp. 351–394); Plates 1–28.

The chapter on Aves (pp. 271–328) lists 173 taxa in a systematic account that provides the following details: Order, Family, Scientific name, references, common name, observation localities, residential status and distribution, abundance in SWLS, and conservation status. It lists twenty-one works under References.

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81. **Chandra, Kailash, R. M. Sharma & Praveen Ojha.**

2010. *A compendium on the faunal resources of Narmada River Basin in Madhya Pradesh.* Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 310. Kolkata, India. Zoological Survey of India.

Hbk. (size unknown, illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–152, pll. I–XXIV (col., 220 photos), maps 1–3, tables.

Contents: tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); introd. (pp. 1–5); Study area (pp. 5–8); Natural resources (pp. 8–16); Faunal resources (pp. 16–124); General remarks (pp. 125–129); Summary (pp. 129–130); Acknowledgements (p. 130); Bibliography (pp. 130–152); plates (24 ll).

Lists 344 spp., along with the districts they were seen in (pp. 101–119), and 16 references (pp. 149–150).

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82. **Chansigaud, Valérie.**

2007. *Histoire de L'Ornithologie.* 1st ed. Paris, France, Delachaux & Niestlé.

This work, originally in French, has been translated and published in English in 2009, q.v.

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83. **Chansigaud, Valérie.**

2009. *The history of ornithology.* 1st English. London, New Holland Publishers.

Hbk. (15.5 x 22.5 cm, with illus., cover, without dust cover), pp. 1–239, 250+ illus. (B&W, col., portr., birds, etc, by various).

Contents: half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); conts. (p. 5); introd. (pp. 7–10); Antiquity: The first steps in the study of birds (pp. 11–16); The Middle Ages: A long winter for science (pp. 17–22); The Renaissance: The blossoming of science, expeditions and scientific publishing (pp. 23–40); The 17th Century: The founding work of John Ray and Francis Willughby (pp. 41–56); The 18th Century: The birth of ornithology (pp. 57–96); The 19th Century: The golden age of ornithology (pp. 97–188); The 20th Century: Ornithology transformed (pp. 189–211); Bibliography (pp. 211–212); Index (pp. 213–218); Timeline (pp. 219–239).

This work is an English translation from the French (Chansigaud 2007), and is edited by: Beth Lucas and Marianne Taylor, and translated by Joseph Muise.

This is a concise but well-written, and sumptuously illustrated history of ornithology, with an emphasis on the development of the science and its protagonists up to the early 20th century. Informative and easy to read, it contains considerable information

on the ornithologists of the Indian Subcontinent from that period. It is suffused with ornithological tidbits, oddities, and biographical portraits of bygone ornithologists.

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84. **Chatrath, K. J. S. Ed.**

1992. *Wetlands of India*. New Delhi, Ashish Publishing House.

Hbk. (14 x 21.5 cm), pp. [i–ix], x–xiv, [xv+1], 1–200, illus., maps.

Contents: Half-tit. [p. i]; tit. [p. iii]; imp. [p. iv]; ded. [p. v, 'Dedicated to Chilka lake of Orissa']; map [p. vi]; Foreword [p. vii, by T.N. Khoshoo]; Pref. [pp. ix–xiv, dat. January 1992, by Dr. K.J.S. Chatrath]; Conts. [p. xv]; Introd. (pp. 1–14, by K.J.S. Chatrath); Overall strategy being adopted at the government level to encourage conservation of important wetlands of India (pp. 15–35, by A.K. Narayanan); Case study of Loktak lake of Manipur (pp. 37–70, by Rashmi De Roy); Anthropogenic pressures and management of Dal lake, Kashmir (pp. 71–102, by C.L. Trisal); The environs and problems of Harike wetland: some strategies for conservation (pp. 103–124, by (Mrs.) Neelima Jerath); Community participation in conservation of wetlands: a case study of Sukhna lake of Chandigarh (pp. 125–134, by K.J.S. Chatrath); The challenge of Chilka (pp. 135–170, by K.J.S. Chatrath); Ecological status of Kolleru lake: a review (pp. 171–200, by V. Seshavatharam).

An empirical study of wetlands explaining the specific problems faced by each, as well as the conservation and management strategies being followed to safeguard them.

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85. **Chauhan, Anita.**

2014. *Conserving Asia's wildlife treasure: The pheasants*. India, Partridge India.

Pbk. (15 x 23 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–x, 1–388, 116 illustrations, maps, text-figs. (monochrome, various photographers, and various sources).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (pp. iii–vi); acknowledgements (pp. vii–viii); pref. (pp. ix–x, Anita Chauhan, March 2014); Discover the pheasants (pp. 1–72); A historical perspective (pp. 73–100); The 50 species of pheasants (pp. 101–166); How conservation science helps (pp. 167–231); Field notes (pp. 232–279); Conservation of pheasants in India (pp. 280–335); Bibliography (pp. 336–347); Recommended websites (pp. 348–350); Addresses (pp. 351–352); Glossary (pp. 353–360); List of figures (pp. 361–372); Appendix 1—Red List status (pp. 373–375); Appendix 2—Critically Endangered (pp. 376–378); Appendix 3 (p. 379); Appendix 4 (p. 379); Appendix 5 (p. 380); Appendix 6 (pp. 381–386); Appendix 7 (p. 387); Errata (p. 388).

This is a smorgasbord of compiled information on Pheasants. The bibliography (pp. 336–347) lists 127 references.

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86. **Cherian, P. T. Ed.**

2001. *Fauna of Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve*. Fauna of Conservation Areas, 11. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–330,

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (pp. iii–iv); Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve—An overview (pp. 1–6, by P. T. Cherian); Physiography, climate, vegetation and faunal exploration (pp. 7–12, by G. M. Yazdani); Protozoa (pp. 13–24, by K. N. Nair); Rotifera (pp. 25–28, by S. G. Patil); Ostracoda (pp. 29–30, by S. G. Patil); Cladocera (pp. 31–37, by M. B. Raghunathan & P. D. Rane); Centipedes (pp. 39–44, by B. E. Yadav); Millipede (pp. 45–53, by M. Mary Bai); Scorpion (pp. 55–58, by T. J. Indra); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 59–63, by M. S. Shishodia & P. P. Kulkarni); Insecta: Grylloidea (pp. 65–71, by M. S. Shishodia & M. VAsanth); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 73–83, by M. Prasad & P. P. Kulkarni); Insecta: Leafhoppers (pp. 85–109, by K. Ramachandra Rao); Insecta: Aquatic and semi-aquatic heteroptera (pp. 111–127, by G. Thirumalai); Insecta: Scarabid (pp. 129–142, by S. Biswas & S. V. Mulay); Insecta: Lepidoptera (pp. 143–158, by C. Radhakrishnan & K. V. Lakshminarayana); Insecta: Gallmidges (pp. 159–163, by R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Agromyzidae (pp. 165–169, by P. T. Cherian); Insecta: Chloropidae (pp. 171–182, by P. T. Cherian); Insecta: Tephritidae (pp. 183–191, by C. Radhakrishnan); Insecta: Chalcidoidea (pp. 193–204, by P. M. Sureshan); Insecta: Proctotrupoidea (pp. 205–206, by P. M. Sureshan); Pisces (pp. 207–224, by G. M. Yazdani, K. Reema Devi, M. B. Raghunathan & D. F. Singh); Amphibia (pp. 225–238, by M. S. Ravichandran); Reptilia (pp. 239–243, by T. S. N. Murthy); Aves (pp. 245–310, by Anil Mahabal & M. VAsanth); Mammalia (pp. 311–330, by);

The chapter on Aves (pp. 245–310) deals with 313 taxa. Table 1 gives the following information for them: Species, common name, status, altitude, locality, external distribution, and habitat. Twenty-two works are listed under References.

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87. **Chhotani, O. B. Ed.**

1993. *Fauna of Orissa. Part 4*. State Fauna Series, 1. Calcutta, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18.5 x 24.5 cm), 3 pr. ll., pp. 1–195

Contents: Tit., imp., foreword (by Dr. A. K. Ghosh, dat. 21st June, 1993), conts. (pr. ll.); Freshwater fishes (pp. 1–37, by A. K. Dutta, D. K. Kunda & K. Karmakar); Amphibia (pp. 39–49, by A. K. Sarkar); Reptilia (pp. 51–74, by D. P. Sanyal); Birds (pp. 75–142, by M. Mazumdar & J. M. Dasgupta); Mammalia (pp. 143–179, by P. K. Das, J. P. Lal & V. C. Agrawal); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Satyridae (pp. 181–184, by D. N. Nandi); Insecta: Coleoptera: Cerambycidae, by P. K. Basu & S. Biswas.

The chapter on birds (pp. 75–142) lists 189 taxa, and covers field-work between 1971 and 1978 by V.C. Agrawal, P.K. Das,

N. Majumdar, A.K. Mondal, J.K. Sen, and C.B. Srivastava. It also has a list of 22 references. It provides Oriya names.
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88. **Choudhury, Amir Sohail & Bikul Goswami. Eds.**

2012. *Complete works of Dr Anwaruddin Choudhury: A bibliographic reference.* Guwahati, India, Gibbon Books & The Rhino Foundation for Nature in NE India.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm; illus. cover with portr., of Dr Anwaruddin Choudhury), pp. 1–264.

Contents: Graphs on articles and papers published in different decades (inside front cover); half-tit. (p. 1, with B&W portr., of Dr Anwaruddin Choudhury); tit. (p. 3, with B&W portr., of Dr Anwaruddin Choudhury); imp. and ded. (p. 4); conts. (pp. 5–6); pref. (pp. 7–10, by Amir Sohail Choudhury & Bikul Goswami, 15th August 2011; one B&W portr.); Summary (pp. 11–13); Year by year complete list (pp. 14–47); Year by year list of technical articles, notes, etc. (pp. 48–66); Year by year list of publications on mammals (pp. 67–82); Year by year list of publications on birds (pp. 83–97); Year by year list of publications on reptiles (pp. 98–101); Year by year list of publications in some key journals & periodicals (pp. 102–132); Year by year complete list of select taxa (pp. 133–181); State by state complete list (pp. 182–252); Publications relevant to neighbouring countries (pp. 253–260); Appendix 1: List of Indian periodicals, journals, etc. (p. 261); Appendix 2: Publications edited (p. 262); Notes (pp. 263–264); Articles and papers relevant to various taxa (inside back cover).

A detailed bibliography of the prolific naturalist, Dr Anwaruddin Choudhury's work, mainly on the natural history of north-eastern India. Lists 290 works on birds (pp. 83–97).

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89. **Choudhury, Anwaruddin.**

2006. *Birds of Manas National Park.* 1st ed. Guwahati, India, Gibbon Books & The Rhino Foundation for Nature in NE India.

Pbk. (14 x 22 cm, with illus., cover), pp. 2 ll, 1–80+4, 6 pll. (col., by Ber van Perlo, Anwaruddin Choudhury, John Henry Dick, Carl D'Silva, & Alan Harris), 8 photographs (col.), innumerable vignettes, line-drawings, and maps.

Contents: Map of Manas National Park (inside front cover); half-tit, tit., imp. (pr. ll); conts. (p. 1); pref. (pp. 2–4); 3 ll., pll. (col., with photographs and pll.); introd. (pp. 5–10); Some key birding sites (pp. 11–14); Selected species notes (pp. 15–27); Annotated checklist (pp. 28–56); Appendix 1: Bird species not yet spotted in Manas National Park and Tiger Reserve but likely to occur in view of records from adjacent areas (pp. 57–62); Appendix 2: Sequence of bird Orders and Families followed in this book (p. 63); Appendix 3: Ornithological and conservation bodies (p. 64); Appendix 4: Basic information for the visitors (pp. 64–65); Appendix 5: News clippings on rediscovery of Manipur Bush-Quail (pp. 66–69); Appendix 6: News clippings on sighting of White-winged Wood Duck (p. 70); Appendix 7: Notification of the proposed reserved forest issued in 1905 (p. 71); Appendix 8: Recommended tourism zone and activities (p. 72); Glossary (p. 73); Bibliography (pp. 74–78); Index (pp. 79–80); Notes (2 ll.); Map of Manas Tiger Reserve (inside back cover).

The checklist includes 476 spp., and lists another 100 that may occur as stray or passage migrants. Lists 12 key birding sites with brief notes. Provides brief notes for 45 spp., (pp. 15–27). The bibliography lists 61 works.

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90. **Choudhury, Anwaruddin.**

2008. *A pocket guide to the birds of Mizoram.* 1st ed. Guwahati, India, Gibbon Books & The Rhino Foundation for Nature in NE India.

Pbk. (14 x 22 cm, with illus., cover), pp. 1 l., 1–122, 4 pll. (col., by Daniel Cole, Anwaruddin Choudhury, John Henry Dick, Carl D'Silva, & Alan Harris), 15 photographs (col.), 2 photographs (B&W), innumerable vignettes, line-drawings, and maps.

Contents: Map of Mizoram land use patterns (inside front cover); half-tit. (pr. l.); tit. (p. 1); imp., & ded. (p. 2); conts. (p. 3); pref. (pp. 4–7, by Anwaruddin Choudhury, 18 February 2008); Mizoram general features (p. 8, map); introd. (pp. 9–18); Some key birding sites (pp. 19–35); Selected species notes (pp. 36–61); Annotated checklist (pp. 62–95); Appendix 1: Bird species not yet spotted in Mizoram but likely to occur in view of records from adjacent areas (pp. 96–106); Appendix 2: Ornithological and conservation bodies; journals, newsletter and magazines (p. 107); Appendix 3: Basic information for the visitors (pp. 108–110); Appendix 4: List of protected areas, IBAs, and major wetlands (p. 111); Appendix 5: Sequence of Orders and Families followed in this book (p. 112); Glossary (p. 113); Bibliography (pp. 114–120); Index (pp. 121–122).

The checklist includes 479 spp., and lists another 140 that may occur as stray or passage migrants. Lists 21 key birding sites with brief notes. Provides brief notes for 50 spp., (pp. 36–61). The bibliography lists 84 works.

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91. **Choudhury, Binod C. & Asad R. Rahmani.**

2016. *Sarus Crane: A pictorial life history.* Mumbai, India, Bombay Natural History Society.

Hbk. (30.0 cm x 23.5 cm, with dust cover), pp. i–x, 1–122, 1 map (col.), 1 fig., 115 photos (col., various photographers), 2 portraits (col.).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); conts. (p. v, with col. photo); pref. (p. vi, by B. C. Choudhury & Asad R. Rahmani); Message (p. vii, by Akhilesh Yadav); Message (p. viii, by Sanjiv Saran); acknowledgements (p. ix); introd. (pp. 1–15); Flocking behaviour (pp. 16–27); Food (pp. 28–33); Maintenance activities (pp. 34–37); Display (pp. 38–51); Mating (pp.

52–53); Nest and eggs (pp. 54–69); Chicks (pp. 70–89); Sarus in human-dominated landscape (pp. 90–113); Threats to Sarus (pp. 114–121); WTI-Tata Trusts Sarus Crane Project in eastern Uttar Pradesh (Advt., p. 122).

An authoritative coffee-table book on the life cycle of the Sarus Crane and the conservation challenges it faces. Sumptuously illustrated with very fine colour photographs.

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92. Chowdhury, Sayam U.

2011. *A pictorial field guide to the shorebirds of Bangladesh*. Dhaka, Bangladesh, Published by the author.

Pbk. (11 x 21 cm, with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–59, 65 photographs (col., various photographers), 48 maps (col.).

Contents: Tit. (front endpaper); imp. (p. i); Foreword (p. ii, by Taej Mundkur); acknowledgements (p. iii); conts. (p. iv); introd. (p. 1); What is a shorebird (p. 2); Where to watch shorebirds (p. 2); Threats and conservation (p. 3); Shorebird topography (p. 4); Shorebird ID plates (pp. 5–54); Systematic list of the shorebirds of Bangladesh (pp. 55–56); Selected bibliography (p. 57); Index of common English names (p. 58); Index of scientific names (p. 59).

This pocket guide provides key identification features of 48 spp., of shorebirds reported from Bangladesh. Eleven spp., that are found in the country, are not included, because of their scarce occurrence. Each sp., is given a page wherein details of size, field characteristics, habitat, status and distribution, and similar species is given. Eight works are listed in the bibliography.

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93. Cleere, Nigel.

2010. *Nightjars, potoos, frogmouths, oilbird and owlet-nightjars of the world*. 1st ed. New Jersey, USA & Hampshire, UK, Princeton University Press & WILDGuides Ltd.

Hbk. (cloth, 17.5 x 25 cm, with illus. dust jacket), pp. 1–464, 558 photos (col., various photographers).

Contents: Tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); Conts. (pp. 3–6); Foreword (p. 7, by Nigel Collar); pl. (p. 8); Introd. (pp. 9–12); Distribution of the Caprimulgiformes (pp. 13–15, maps 1–9); Plumage and structure (pp. 16–27); General biology (pp. 28–51); Taxonomy of the Caprimulgiformes (pp. 52–58); Introd. to the species accounts (p. 59); Species accounts and plates (pp. 60–421); Glossary (pp. 422–423); Further reading (p. 424); Acknowledgements (p. 424); Photographic credits (pp. 425–441); Appendix 1—extinct Caprimulgiformes (p. 442); Appendix 2—alternative English names (pp. 443–447); References (pp. 448–450); Index to English and scientific names (pp. 451–464).

This field-guide covers 135 known spp., of Caprimulgiformes, and deals with four families: Caprimulgidae, Podargidae, Nyctibiidae, and Steatornithidae. The Aegothelidae are included as *incertae sedis*.

Species accounts comprise notes on: English name, scientific name, length of bird, identification, main confusing species, vocalisations, habitat, breeding, range, status, 2009 IUCN Red List Category, distribution map, and photographs.

The chapter on general biology (pp. 28–51) covers communication, camouflage and defence, food and feeding, and breeding.

Cleere has authored the definitive work on the Order, and has illustrated it with an outstanding selection of photos.

Reviews: Guy M. Kirwan. 2010. *Bull. B.O.C.* 130 (4): 234–236; Bikram Grewal. 2011. *Indian BIRDS* 7 (2): 56A; George Sangster. 2011. *Ibis* 154 (1): 219.

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94. Cockburn, Margaret Bushby Lascelles. (1829–1928)

1858. *Nilgherry birds [and] miscellaneous*. 1st ed. Madras, C.K.S. Press. Vol. 1 of 3 vols.

Hbk. (28 x 22 cm), 53 pll. (watercolours).

Margaret Cockburn lived in Kotagiri, Tamil Nadu, India. Watercolours of birds.

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95. Cockburn, Margaret Bushby Lascelles.

1858. *Nilgherry birds [and] miscellaneous*. 1st ed. Madras, C.K.S. Press. Vol. 2 of 3 vols.

Hbk. (28 x 22 cm), 43 pll. (watercolours).

See previous entry for general remarks.

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96. Cockburn, Margaret Bushby Lascelles.

1858. *Nilgherry birds [and] miscellaneous*. 1st ed. Madras, C.K.S. Press. Vol. 3 of 3 vols.

Hbk. (28 x 22 cm), 70 pll. (watercolours).

See previous entry for general remarks. Watercolours of plants, insects, eggs, feathers, and people.

<Not seen. Ex-libris NHM>

97. Cocker, Mark & David Tipling.

2013. *Birds and people*. 1st ed. London, Jonathan Cape.

Hbk. (22 x 28 cm, with illus., dust cover; col.), pp. 1–592, 350 photographs (col., by David Tipling).

Contents: Endpapers [col. photograph]; half-tit. [p. 1]; Part of photograph spread onto title page [p. 2]; tit. [p. 3]; imp. [p. 4]; ded. [p. 5]; conts. [pp. 6–7]; introd. [pp. 8–11]; Bird families [pp. 13–528]; Birds, people, and BirdLife International [pp. 529–530]; Appendices [tit. page; p. 531]; Appendix 1: Glossary [p. 533]; Appendix 2: Biographical details [pp. 534–535]; Appendix 3: Untreated families [p. 536]; Select bibliography [pp. 537–549]; Notes [pp. 551–566]; Acknowledgements [pp. 567–568]; Photographer's acknowledgements [p. 569]; Credits [p. 570]; Species index [pp. 571–579]; General index [pp. 580–592].

'There are 10,500 species of bird worldwide and wherever they occur people marvel at their glorious colours and their beautiful songs. We also trap and consume birds of every kind.

'Yet birds have not just been good to eat. Their feathers, which keep us warm or adorn our costumes, give birds unique mastery over the heavens. Throughout history their flight has inspired the human imagination so that birds are embedded in our religions, folklore, music and arts.

'Vast in both scope and scale, *Birds and People* explores and celebrates this relationship and draws upon Mark Cocker's 40 years of observing and thinking about birds. Part natural history and part cultural study, it describes and maps the entire spectrum of our engagements with birds, drawing in themes of history, literature, art, cuisine, language, lore, politics and the environment. In the end, this is a book as much about us as it is about birds.

'*Birds and People* has been stunningly illustrated by one of Europe's best wildlife photographers, David Tipling, who has travelled in 39 countries on seven continents to produce a breathtaking and unique collection of photographs. The book is as important for its visual riches as it is for its groundbreaking content.

'*Birds and People* is also exceptional in that the author has solicited contributions from people worldwide. Personal anecdotes and stories have come from more than 650 individuals in 81 different countries. They range from university academics to Mongolian eagle hunters, and from Amerindian shamans to some of the most celebrated writers of our age. The sheer multitude of voices in this global chorus means that *Birds and People* is both a source book on why we cherish birds and a powerful testament to their importance for all humanity.' [Publisher's blurb.]

Reviews: D.I.M. Wallace. 2013. *British Birds* 106 (9): 557–558; Aasheesh Pittie. 2014. *Indian BIRDS* 9 (4): 108–109.

98. **Cunningham, David Douglas. (1843–1914)**

1903. *Some Indian friends and acquaintances: a study of the ways of birds and other animals frequenting Indian streets and gardens.* London, John Murray.

Hbk. (14.5 x 20.5 cm), pp. i–[ix], 1–423+1, frontisp., pll. I–XXII (6 col.; 21 monochr.; 1 B&W photo).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); frontisp. (unnum.); tit. (p. iii); acknowledgements (unnum.); conts. (pp. v–vi); Illus. (pp. vii–viii); Errata (p. ix); An apology (pp. 1–8); Common birds of an Indian garden (pp. 9–261); Common mammals of an Indian garden (pp. 262–317); Common reptiles of an Indian garden (pp. 318–383); Appendix (pp. 385–407); Index (pp. 409–423).

'The materials included in the following pages are derived from the entries in a series of note-books that were in almost daily use during a period of nearly thirty years' residence in India, and, in greater part, in Calcutta and the immediate neighbourhood' (p. 1.)

The book is divided into three sections, containing several chapters each, with the one on birds holding the most numerous. These are entitled: Kites (pp. 9–22); Mynas (pp. 23–35); Crows (pp. 36–52); Crows-continued (pp. 53–62); Cuckoos (pp. 63–81); Babblers and bulbuls (pp. 82–94); Doves and pigeons (pp. 95–104); Barbets (pp. 105–115); Dayals, etc. (pp. 116–127); Honeysuckers and Tailor-birds (pp. 128–140); Bee-eaters, rollers, and drongos (pp. 141–155); Kingfishers (pp. 156–164); Egrets, herons, etc. (pp. 165–178); Weaver-birds, shrikes, etc. (pp. 179–190); Sparrows, wagtails, and pipits (pp. 191–202); Owls (pp. 203–2124); Parrots and woodpeckers (pp. 215–226); Storks (pp. 227–236); Vultures, eagles, etc. (pp. 237–250); Swifts, goatsuckers, munias, etc. (pp. 251–261).

This is a detailed, and delightfully written accounts of birds, and other animals.

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99. **Cuvier, Georges Léopold Chrétien Frédéric Dagobert.**

1827–1835. *The animal kingdom arranged in conformity with its organization by the Baron Cuvier with additional descriptions of all the species hitherto named, and of many not before noticed.* London: Whittaker, Treacher, and Co. of 16 vols. Series editors: Edward Griffith, Edward Pidgeon, John Edward Gray, and Swainson, William.

Please see #366 in Pittie (2010: 195–196).

The dating authority for these translated volumes, is Neal L. Evenhuis. 2019. *Sherbornia* 5 (3): 167–202.

Evenhuis establishes the dating of all the sixteen volumes. His dating of the Aves volumes is as follows: **Vol. 6:** (Class part 1): 1–184, 16 pll., date of publication: 30 November 1827; (Class part 2): 185–360, 16 pll., date of publication: 31 March 1828; (Class part 3): 357*–548, [marked with an asterisk in original], 16 pll., date of publication: 05 August 1828. **Vol. 7:** (Class part 4): 1–192, 18 pll., date of publication: 01 November 1828; (Class part 5): 193–384, 16 pll., date of publication: 01 March 1829; (Class part 6): 385–586, 19 pll., date of publication: 21 May 1829. **Vol. 8:** (Class part 7): 1–192, 16 pll., date of publication: 06 August 1829; (Class part 8): 193–448, 21 pll., date of publication: 31 October 1829; (Class part 9): 449–690, 23 pll., date of publication: 10 January 1830.

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100. Dalrymple, William. Ed.

2019. *Forgotten Masters: Indian painting for the East India Company*. Great Britain, Philip Wilson Publishers.

Hbk. (24 x 28 cm, with illus., dust cover), pll. 1–109 (col., from The Wallace Collection), pll. ('figs.') 1–46 (col., from various sources).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); frontisp., and tit. (pp. 2–3); imp. (p. 4); conts. (p. 5); Director's foreword (pp. 6–7, by Xavier Bray); Painting for the East India Company (pp. 8–23, by William Dalrymple); Part one—The master artists of Lucknow (pp. 24–25, illus., & tit.): Painting in Lucknow 1775–1800 (pp. 26–37, by Rosie Llewellyn-Jones); Part two—The master artists of the Impey album (pp. 38–39, illus., & tit.): The natural history paintings of Shaikh Zain ud-Din, Bhawani Das and Ram Das (pp. 40–75, by Andrew Topsfield); Part three—The natural world (pp. 76–77, illus., & tit.): Indian export art? The botanical drawings (pp. 78–103, by H. J. Noltie); The Bengal artist Haludar (pp. 104–115, by Malini Roy); Part four—Shaikh Muhammad Amir of Karraya and Yellapah of Vellore (pp. 116–117, illus., & tit.): Bespoke: Painting to order in 1830s Calcutta and Vellore (pp. 118–137, by Lucian Harris); Part five—The late Mughal master artists of Delhi and Agra (pp. 138–139, illus., & tit.): Ghulam Ali Khan and the Delhi School of Painting (pp. 140–169, by Yuthika Sharma); Part six—Sita Ram and the Hastings albums (pp. 170–171, illus., & tit.): Sita Ram (pp. 172–181, by J. P. Losty); About the contributors (p. 182); Notes and references (pp. 183–188); Bibliography (pp. 189–191); Acknowledgements and photographic credits (p. 192).

This is a scholarly coffee-table book on the great work done by late 18th century Indian artists. All the authors are leading authorities of their fields.

'As the East India Company extended its sway across India in the late eighteenth century, many remarkable artworks were commissioned by Company officials from Indian painters who had previously worked for the Mughals. Published to coincide with the first UK exhibition of these masterworks at The Wallace Collection, this book celebrates the work of a series of extraordinary Indian artists, each with their own style and tastes and agency, all of whom worked for British patrons between the 1770s and the bloody end of the Mughal rule in 1857...these hybrid paintings explore both the beauty of the Indian natural world and the social realities of the time in one hundred masterpieces, often of astonishing brilliance and originality. They shed light on a forgotten moment in Anglo-India history during which Indian artists responded to European influences while keeping intact their own artistic visions and styles. These artists represent the last phase of Indian artistic genius before the onset of the twin assaults—photography and the influence of western colonial art schools—ended an unbroken tradition of painting going back two thousand years. As these masterworks show, the greatest of these painters deserve to be remembered as among the most remarkable Indian artists of all time,' (dust cover blurb).

Of the 156 col., pll., 16 are of birds (pp. 35, 43, 46, 54–64); eleven of these are by Shaikh Zain ud-Din, three by Ram Das, and two by unknown artists.

Reviews: Vikramajit Ram. 2020. *Biblio* 25 (1–3): 22–23.

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101. Daniel, Jivanayakam Cyril & Baljit Singh. Eds. [Daniel, J. C. (1927–2011)]

2009. *Natural history and the Indian Army*. Mumbai, Bombay Natural History Society; Oxford University Press.

Hbk. (22 x 28 cm, with illus. dust cover), pp. 1–260, innumerable illus., photos (col. & B&W.), ports.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); acknowledgements (p. 5); conts. (pp. 6–7); foreword (p. 8, by M. P. Awati); Exploration and documentation of Indian natural history: contributions by Indian Army officers 1778–2002—a retrospective of 225 years (pp. 10–28, by Lieut Gen. Baljit Singh); 24 articles on Indian natural history by various authors (pp. 29–260).

Three chapters deal with birds: On the hornbills of India and Burmah (pp. 100–113, by Lt. Col. S.R. Tickell); A month in the Kazinag range (pp. 156–168, by Lt. Col. R.S.P. Bates) and; Birdwatching and photography (pp. 240–249, by Lt. Gen. R.K. Gaur).

Lieut. Gen. Baljit Singh's introductory chapter is a succinct summation of the natural history contributions by the officers of the Indian Army.

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102. Das, A. K. & M. K. Dev Roy.

1989. *A general account of mangrove fauna of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, India*. Fauna of Conservation Areas, 4. Calcutta, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF, pp. i–iv, 1–178, photographs 98 (B&W), text figs.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Editor's pref. (p. iii, by Mohammad Shamim Jairajpuri); conts (p. iv); introd. (p. 1); Earlier works (p. 2); Physiography and study areas (pp. 2–15); Material and methods (pp. 15–16); Mangrove fauna (pp. 16–109); Quantitative study (pp. 109–123); Faunal zonations (pp. 124–125); General remarks (pp. 125–153); Acknowledgements (p. 153); Summary (p. 154); References (pp. 155–164); Alphabetical index (pp. 165–173).

The section on birds (pp. 69–73) contains a checklist of 53 taxa. This is repeated in 'Table 8. Systematic list of mangrove fauna of Andaman and Nicobar Islands' (pp. 133–136).

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103. **Das, Amalendu.**

2003. *A catalogue of new taxa described by the scientists of the Zoological Survey of India*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 208. Kolkata, India. Zoological Survey of India.

Hbk. (18.5 x 24 cm), pp. i–viii, 1–530.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); Imp. (p. ii); Acknowledgements (p. iii); Abbreviations used (p. iv); Conts. (pp. v–viii); Introduction (p. 1); Classified new taxa (pp. 1–406); Table-I (pp. 407–410); References (p. 411–500); References to addendum-II (p. 501–502); Index to Family nov. and Subfamily nov. (p. 503); Index to genera (p. 504–530).

The section on Aves (pp. 391–393) contains thirteen new names. In a volume that concerns itself with new names of taxa, the editing in this one section contains four typographical errors, in the spellings of the scientific names.

In the reference section (pp. 411–500), the sub-heading 'Class AVES' is missing on p. 499. It should be between serial numbers 1452 and 1453. Nine references are listed.

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104. **Das, Ashok Kumar.**

2012. *Wonders of nature: Ustad Mansur at the Mughal Court*. Mumbai, India, The Marg Foundation.

Hbk. (24 x 30 cm, with illus. dust cover), pp. 1–176, 142 pll. (col., by Ustad Mansur).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1, with illus.); frontisp., and tit. (pp. 2–3); pl. and note on grantee (pp. 4–5); imp. (p. 6); conts. (p. 7); pref. (pp. 8–11); introd. (pp. 12–23); *Baburnama*: Mansur's early natural history paintings (pp. 24–37); Historical paintings and portraits by Mansur (pp. 38–59); The illumination work of Mansur Naqqash (pp. 60–79); Wonder of the age: Studies of animals and birds (pp. 80–137); Mansur's flower paintings (pp. 138–149); The legacy of Ustad Mansur (pp. 150–155); notes (pp. 156–165); Bibliography (pp. 166–172); Glossary (p. 173); Index (pp. 174–176).

The chapter on birds has 67 pll., including that of the Dodo (pp. 127–131, V.57), perhaps the first depiction of this now extinct bird. There are also paintings of birds of prey, and bustards.

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105. **Das, Debashis, Apurba Sen & Pinaki Mitra.**

2013. *Major fauna of Rasik Beel wetland complex (WB)*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 343. Kolkata, India. Zoological Survey of India.

Hbk. (A4), pp. i–iv, 1–76, 13 pll. (col. photos), 3 maps (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); introd. (p. 1); General description of Rasik Beel (pp. 2–4); Genesis of the lake complex (pp. 4–15); Systematic account of zooplankton (pp. 15–39); Systematic account of fishes recorded in Rasik Beel Wetland (pp. 40–63); Systematic account of other major vertebrates (pp. 64–72); Bibliography (pp. 72–76); 19 plates.

The listed contents of this work (p. iii) are strange and incomplete, with relation to the actual content of the work. The fourth chapter, Systematic account of zooplankton (pp. 15–39), contains information on the 'Avifauna' (pp. 18–36), listing 107 spp., besides ichthyofauna. There are 75 photos of birds in the pll.

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106. **Das, Sumit.**

2012. *Birds of Kumaon*. Kolkata, India, Naturism.

Hbk. (27.5 x 20.5 cm, with illus. cover, and dust cover), pp. 1 l., 1–77, 67 photographs (col., author), 3 portrs.

Contents: Half-tit., imp. (pr. I.); tit. (p. 1); ded. (p. 3); foreword (p. 5, by Bikram Grewal); Author's note (p. 7); acknowledgement (p. 8); How to use this book (p. 9); Himalayan Quail (p. 10); conts. (p. 11); species accounts (pp. 12–69); References (p. 70; 21 listed); Birds [sic] checklist of Kumaon (pp. 71–75); Index to common names (p. 76); Index to scientific names (p. 77).

A landscape format photographic guide to 59 of the commoner species of Kumaon. Also contains a checklist of birds for the region.

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107. **Dasgupta, J. M., Sipra Basu Roy & Bitan Kumar Datta.**

2002. *Endemic birds of India*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 200. Kolkata, India. Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18.5 x 24.5 cm, with illus. cover), 2 pr. ll., pp. 1–44, 12 pll. (col.), 1 map.

Contents: Tit., imp., conts. (pr. II.); Introduction (p. 1); Endemism and endemic taxa in India (p. 1); Handlist of endemic species in India (pp. 2–6); Ecosystem wise distribution of Indian endemic taxa (p. 7); Distribution of the endemic species (pp. 8–9); Biogeographic regions, Ramsar sites and bird sanctuaries in India (p. 10); Systematic account (pp. 11–35); Endemic genera in India according to Ripley (1961) (p. 36); Endemic species in India according to Ripley (1961) (p. 36–42); List of endemic taxa not included in Ripley's (1961) list but incorporated in the present text (pp. 42–43); Summary (p. 43); Acknowledgements (p. 43); References (pp. 43–44).

Pll., are on unnum., pp., and the names of two artists are legible on some of them: S. Chanda, and S. Mandal.

The text deals with exclusive Indian Endemic Avian taxa ... they are: one genus *Ophrysia* Bonaparte, and 50 spp., under 35 genera, 20 families, and 10 orders (p. 43).

A list of 20 references is cited (pp. 43–43), but the one that the authors refer to in the main, Ripley (1961), is not listed!
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108. **Datta, Suniti Bhushan & Nikhil Devasar.**

2012. *Birding in the Doon Valley: Dehradun, Mussoorie, Asan, Rajaji NP, Dhanaulti & nearby areas*. Uttarakhand, India, Winterline Publishing Pvt. Ltd.

Pbk. (14 x 21 cm, with illus. cover), pp. [1–4] 5–200, 327 photos (col., by Nikhil Devasar, Santanu Sarkar, Suniti Bhushan Datta, Tenzin Jamchen, Tenzin Dophen, and others), 16 maps (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. 1); imp., & ded. (p. 2); conts. (pp. 3–4); introd. (p. 5); Birding hotspots (pp. 6–76); Special experiences (pp. 12–76); Species guide (pp. 77–178); Glossary (pp. 179–180); Guide to binoculars (pp. 181–182); Popular bird guides (p. 183); Useful addresses (p. 184); Recommended hotels & lodges (pp. 185–186); Full regional birdlist (pp. 187–196); Index of scientific names (pp. 197–198); Index of common names (pp. 199–200).

The birding hotspots recommended by the authors (pp. 6–76) include: Asan Barrage Conservation Reserve, Arcadia Tea Estate, Wildlife Institute of India (WII) and Karwapani RF, New Forest Campus, Forest Research Institute (FRI), Doon School, Northern City Forests, Rajpur - Jaripani - Barlowganu, Landour and Pari Tibba, Benog WLS and Everest Estate, Dhanaulti, Aglar Valley and Magra, Deolsari and Nag Tibba, Thano RF and Maldevta, Lachhiwala, Rajaji NP - Bheemghoda Barrage - Kunnao Barrage, Jhilmil Jheel Conservation Reserve, and Birder's Journey: Canal Road, Western Ganga Canal. These are interspersed by the narration of ten Special experiences (pp. 12–76). The sp., guide (pp. 77–178) covers 200 regional spp., and the full regional birdlist (pp. 187–196) covers 504 spp.

Review: Asad R. Rahmani 2012 in *Hornbill* (April–June): 33.

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109. **Davidar, Priya.**

2011. *Wetland birds of Pondicherry region: a pocket field guide*. Puducherry, India, ECOS.

Pbk. (13.5 x 21.5 cm, with illus., covers), 2 ll., pp. i–xii, 1–80, 1 map, 3 photos (col., by Gopinath S.), 3 photos (col., unknown), 34 pll. (col., by Christian Puyravaud & Sabrina Siga).

Contents: Tit., imp., contents, photo (pr. II.); Dedication (p. i; by Dr A. Anil Kumar); photo (p. ii); Acknowledgements (p. iii); photo (p. iv); Foreword (pp. v–vi; by Asad R. Rahmani); Pref. (pp. vii–viii; by Jean-Philippe Puyravaud); Parts of a bird (p. ix); Introd. (pp. 1–6); Pondicherry wetland birds (pp. 7–73); Illustrators credits (p. 74); References (p. 75); Index of English names (pp. 76–77); Index to scientific names (pp. 78–79); Notes (p. 80).

A slim guide to the birds of the Pondicherry area, especially its wetlands. The back cover lists five contributors including the author: Priya Davidar, Christian Puyravaud, Sabrina Siga, Gopinath Sricandane, and Roshan Davina Eddy. The main text deals with 121 taxa. The illustrations are of poor quality.

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110. **del Hoyo, Josep. Ed.**

2020. *All the birds of the world*. Barcelona, Spain, Lynx Edicions.

Hbk. (24 x 31 cm, with tit., on cover and spine, and illus., dust cover), pp. 1–967, 1 insert (10.5 x 29.5 cm; laminated information card), 20,865 illustrations (col., by 32 artists), 11,558 maps (col.), 1 portr. (col., author, inside back flap of dust cover).

Contents: Pictorial index to Non-passerines (front endpapers); Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); Lynx editorial council (p. 5); production team (p. 6); conts. (p. 7); Artist contributions by family (p. 8); Class Aves (pp. 8–12); pref. (pp. 13–14); introd. (pp. 15–32); Class Aves (pp. 33–835); Appendix 1: Extinct species (pp. 838–851); Appendix 2: Differences in nomenclature: Selected cases where world lists use different names/spellings (pp. 853–869; by Andy Elliott); Appendix 3: Country codes (pp. 861–864); Reference maps (pp. 865–901); Appendix 5: One-country endemics (p. 902); Find out more (pp. 903–908; advt.); Index (pp. 909–967).

Artists: Richard Allen, Norman Arlott, Eustace Barnes, Hilary Burn, Clive Byers, John Cox, François Desbordes, Martin Elliott, Al Gilbert, Alan Harris, Ren Hathway, Mark Hulme, Angels Jutglar, Francesc Jutglar, Ian Lewington, Toni Llobet, Antoni Lombarte, Alex Mascarell, Dave Nurney, Douglas Pratt, David Quinn, Chris Rose, Luís Sanz, Brian Small, Lluís Solé, Juan Varela, Etel Vilaró, Lyn Wells, Jan Wilczur, Ian Willis, Martin Woodcock, and Tim Worfolk.

This massive work 'aims to bring the extraordinary richness and diversity of the world's avifauna closer to a wider audience' (p. 13), and 'presents every taxon accepted as a species by any of the four major world lists: 11,524 in total'. The illustrations cover 'sexual dimorphism, morphs, and many distinctive subspecies'. Altitudinal ranges are mentioned. 'All 3,313 one-country endemics are marked. IUCN/BirdLife International conservation status given. Taxonomic treatment by the four major world lists indicated and compared for each species. Nomenclatural discrepancies explained. All English and scientific names from eBird included. QR codes for instant access to videos, photos and sound recordings, species-by-species. Checkboxes for personal record-keeping. All species known to have become extinct since the year 1500 [are] presented separately in their own appendix. A 37-page world atlas of colour reference maps, with relevant details of interest to birders and ornithologists' (publisher's blurb on back cover).

This work incorporates a herculean effort at presenting the case of the four extant major world checklists: (1) HBW and BirdLife International checklist of the birds of the world. Version 4. (December 2019); (2) The Howard & Moore complete checklist of the birds of the world, version 4.1 (August 2018); (3) The eBird/Clements checklist of birds of the world: v2019 (August 2019); and (4) IOC world bird list (v10.1). (January 2020). The current work attempts to do this by using a unique method of the 'taxonomic circle' that is divided into four quadrants, where each quadrant represents one of the world checklists (pp. 21–23).

This work uses illustrations, symbols, graphics, and maps to accommodate all the birds of the world between its covers, relegating most details about the taxa to the power of the QR code, which, with the help of a smart mobile phone, takes the user to the relevant page for the taxon on the ebird.org website, where a plethora of information is available.

Review: Perrins, Christopher. 2021. *Ibis* 163 (4): 1506–1507.

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111. **del Hoyo, Josep & Nigel J. Collar.**

2014. HBW and BirdLife International illustrated checklist of the birds of the world. Volume 1: Non-passerines. Barcelona, Lynx Edicions. Vol. 1 of 2 vols.

Hbk. (31 x 24 cm, with illus. dust cover), pp. 1–903, 357 pll. (col., by 28 artists), 30 col. photos, 4,428 maps (distribution), 34 maps.

Contents: Advt. (Front endpaper); half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); Lynx Editorial Council (p. 5); production team (p. 7); Conts. (p. 9); Class Aves (pp. 11–15); Contributions from HBW authors and artists (pp. 16–17); introd. (pp. 19–54); Checklist (pp. 55–761); Appendices 1 & 2: Extinct species (pp. 763–774); Appendix 3: Reference maps (pp. 775–811); Bibliography (pp. 813–838; containing 1,982 references); Index (pp. 839–903); advt. (back endpaper).

Artists: Richard Allen, Norman Arlott, Eustace Barnes, Hilary Burn, Clive Byers, John Cox, Martin Elliott, Al Gilbert, Alan Harris, Mark Hulme, Angels Jutglar, Francesc Jutglar, Ian Lewington, Toni Llobet, Antoni Lombarte, Dave Nurney, Douglas Pratt, Chris Rose, Luís Sanz, Brian Small, Lluís Solé, Juan Varela, Etel Vilaró, Lyn Wells, Jan Wilczur, Ian Willis, Martin Woodcock, and Tim Norfolk.

The sequence of Families covered from South Asia is: Megapodiidae, Phasianidae, Anatidae, Podicipedidae, Phoenicopteridae, Phaethontidae, Columbidae, Pteroclididae, Caprimulgidae, Hemiprocridae, Apodidae, Cuculidae, Heliornithidae, Rallidae, Gruidae, Otidae, Gaviidae, Oceanitidae, Hydrobatidae, Procellariidae, Ciconiidae, Threskiornithidae, Ardeidae, Pelecanidae, Fregatidae, Sulidae, Phalacrocoracidae, Anhingidae, Burhinidae, Haematopodidae, Ibisornithidae, Recurvirostridae, Charadriidae, Rostratulidae, Jacanidae, Scolopacidae, Turnicidae, Dromadidae, Glareolidae, Laridae, Stercorariidae, Tytonidae, Strigidae, Pandionidae, Accipitridae, Trogonidae, Bucerotidae, Upupidae, Meropidae, Coraciidae, Alcedinidae, Megalaimidae, Indicatoridae, Picidae, Falconidae, and Psittacidae.

This massive work, a logical corollary of the 17-volume *Handbook of the birds of the world*, is a game changer in the area of world checklists. It contains illustrations and distribution maps for all spp. The authors state, 'Our objective in this collaboration is to provide the most accurate evidence-based account of extant and recently (post-AD1500) extinct avian diversity at all levels of the taxonomic spectrum, but with the strongest emphasis falling on species. However, like all taxonomic studies, this checklist is a work in progress' (p. 51).

In the main, species accounts section, the plates are on the recto, and have spp., illustrations and range maps, and on the opposing verso are the corresponding notes with scientific names, English names, IUCN Red List categories, pointers to HBW, French, German, and Spanish names, other common names, taxonomic notes, distribution/subspecies and distribution, subspecies-groups, and bibliographical references in the texts.

The introduction (pp. 19–54) contains information on the work under various sub-sections: Why a new checklist? (pp. 19–20); the speciation process and the species problem (pp. 20–25); convergence and criteria in species-level avian taxonomy (pp. 25–30); the Tobias criteria: an outline (pp. 30–33); the Tobias criteria: in practice (pp. 33–41); results in broad brief outline (pp. 41–43); using the *Checklist* (pp. 43–51); the future of the *Checklist* (pp. 51–52); acknowledgements (pp. 52–53); references (pp. 53–54).

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112. **del Hoyo, Josep & Nigel J. Collar.**

2016. HBW and BirdLife International illustrated checklist of the birds of the world. Volume 2: Passerines. Barcelona, Lynx Edicions. Vol. 2 of 2 vols.

Hbk. (31 x 24 cm, with illus. dust cover), pp. 1–1013, 446 pll. (12,629 col., illus., by several artists), 6,649 maps (col., distribution).

Contents: Family index for Non-passerines (Volume 1) (Front endpapers); half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); Lynx Editorial Council (p. 5); production team (p. 6); Conts. (p. 7); Order Passeriformes (pp. 8–11); Contributions from HBW authors and artists (pp. 12–14); introd. (pp. 15–21); Checklist (pp. 22–905); Appendix: Extinct species (pp. 906–913); Bibliography (pp. 915–945; containing 2,809 references); Index (pp. 947–1013); Family index for Passerines (Volume 2) (back endpapers).

Artists: Norman Arlott, Hilary Burn, John Cox, François Desbordes, Ren Hathway, Francesc Jutglar, Ian Lewington, Douglas Pratt, David Quinn, Chris Rose, Brian Small, Jan Wilczur, Ian Willis, and Tim Norfolk.

The sequence of Families covered from South Asia is: Pittidae, Eurylaimidae, Oriolidae, Campephagidae, Artamidae, Aegithinidae, Rhipiduridae, Dicuridae, Monarchidae, Laniidae, Corvidae, Paridae, Remizidae, Alaudidae, Panuridae, Cisticolidae, Acrocephalidae, Pnoepygidae, Locustellidae, Hirundinidae, Pycnonotidae, Phylloscopidae, Scotocercidae, Aegithalidae, Sylviidae, Zosteropidae, Pellorneidae, Leiотrichidae, Certhiidae, Sittidae, Troglodytidae, Cinclidae, Sturnidae, Turdidae, Muscicapidae, Regulidae, Hypocoliidae, Bombycillidae, Irenidae, Chloropseidae, Dicaeidae, Nectariniidae, Prunellidae, Ploceidae, Estrildidae, Passeridae, Motacillidae, Fringillidae, and Emberizidae.

For general notes see #111.

The introduction (pp. 5–21) contains the following sub-sections: Ends and beginnings: the taxonomic cycle (p. 15), truly integrative taxonomy: building the broadest evidence base (p. 15); taxonomic democracy: taking account of *all* characters (pp. 15–16); representative sampling: the limits of confidence (pp. 16–17); quantifying voice: the new taxonomic dimension (p. 17); our null hypothesis (pp. 17–18); “a ‘rapid assessment program’ for assigning species rang?” Yes! (p. 18); technical aspects (pp. 18–19); acknowledgements (pp. 19–20); references (p. 20); issues of nomenclature in the current volume (p. 21).

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113. del Hoyo, Josep, Andrew Elliott & David Christie.

2009. *Handbook of the birds of the world. Bush-shrikes to Old World Sparrows.* 1st ed. Barcelona, Lynx Edicions. Vol. 14 of 16 vols.

Hbk. (31.0 x 24.0 cm, with illus. dust cover), pp. 1–893+3, pll. 1–51 (col., several artists), 657 col. photos, 485 maps (distribution).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); Authors of volume 14 (pp. 5–6); Editorial council (pp. 7–9); note (p. 10); Conts. (p. 11); List of plates (pp. 12–13); Foreword: Birding past, present and future—a global view (pp. 15–45, by: Stephen Moss); Introduction to volume 14 (pp. 46–49); Malaconotidae [Bush-shrikes, pp. 50–122 (C. H. Fry)]; Prionopidae [Helmet-shrikes, pp. 124–140 (D. G. Allan)]; Vangidae [Vangas, pp. 142–170 (S. Yamagishi & M. Nakamura)]; Dicuridae [Drongos, pp. 172–226 (G. J. Rocamora & D. Yeatman-Berthelot)]; Callaeidae [New Zealand Wattlebirds, pp. 228–241 (R. P. Scofield)]; Notiomystidae [Stitchbird, pp. 242–257 (P. J. Higgins & L. Christidis)]; Grallinidae [Mudlarks, pp. 258–271 (S. R. Tingay & A. Tingay)]; Struthideidae [Australian Mudnesters, pp. 272–285 (I. C. R. Rowley & E. M. Russell)]; Artamidae [Woodswallows, pp. 286–307 (I. C. R. Rowley & E. M. Russell)]; Cracticidae [Butcherbirds, pp. 308–342 (E. M. Russell & I. C. R. Rowley)]; Pityriaseidae [Bristlehead, pp. 344–348 (F. H. Sheldon & R. G. Moyle)]; Ptilonorhynchidae [Bowerbirds, pp. 350–403 (C. B. Frith & D. W. Frith)]; Paradisaeidae [Birds-of-Paradise, pp. 404–492 (C. B. Frith & D. W. Frith)]; Corvidae [Crows, pp. 494–640 (L. dos Anjos)]; Buphagidae [Oxpeckers, pp. 642–653 (A. J. F. K. Craig)]; Sturnidae [Starlings, pp. 654–758 (A. J. F. K. Craig & C. J. Feare)]; Passeridae [Old World Sparrows, pp. 760–813 (J. D. Summers-Smith)]; References [References of scientific descriptions (pp. 817–822), General list of references (pp. 823–875)]; Index (pp. 879–893).

Artists: N. Arlott (pll. 14, 17); H. Burn (pll. 1–7, 9–11, 16, 39–47); I. Lewington (pl. 8); D. Quinn (pll. 36–38); C. Rose (pll. 19–28); B. Small (pll. 29–35); T. Worfolk (pll. 12–13, 15, 18, 48–51).

Each chapter begins with an introductory section containing discussions on: Systematics; morphological aspects; habitat; general habits; voice; food and feeding; breeding; movements; relationship with man; status and conservation; general bibliography.

The species accounts contain subsections entitled: Taxonomy, subspecies and distribution, descriptive notes, habitat, food and feeding, breeding, movements, status and conservation and, bibliography. A distribution map is also given.

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114. del Hoyo, Josep, Andrew Elliott & David Christie.

2010. *Handbook of the birds of the world. Weavers to New World warblers.* 1st ed. Barcelona, Lynx Publishers. Vol. 15 of 16 vols.

Hbk. (31 x 24 cm, with illus. dust cover), pp. 1–879, pll. 61 (col., several artists), 495 col. Photos, 614 maps (distribution).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); Authors of volume 15 (p. 5); Editorial council (p. 7); note (p. 8); Conts. (p. 9); List of plates (pp. 10–11); Foreword: Conservation of the world’s birds: the view from 2010 (pp. 13–68, by: S. H. M. Butchard, N. J. Collar, A. J. Stattersfield & L. A. Bennun); Introduction volume 15 (pp. 69–73); Ploceidae [Weavers, pp. 74–197 (A. J. F. G. Craig)]; Viduidae [Whydahs and Indigobirds, pp. 198–232 (R. B. Payne)]; Estrildidae [Waxbills, pp. 234–377 (R. B. Payne)]; Vireonidae [Vireos, pp. 378–439 (D. Brewer & R. I. Orenstein)]; Fringillidae [Finches, pp. 440–617 (N. J. Collar, I. Newton & P. Clement)]; Drepanididae [Hawaiian honeycreepers, pp. 618–659 (H. D. Pratt)]; Peucedramidae [Olive warbler, pp. 660–665 (J. M. Curson)]; Parulidae [New World warblers, pp. 666–800 (J. M. Curson)]; References [References of scientific descriptions (pp. 803–809), General list of references (pp. 811–862)]; Index (pp. 863–879).

Artists: N. Arlott (pll. 41–45); H. Burn (pll. 12–27, 32–40, 46–47); D. Pratt (pll. 47–49); D. Quinn (pll. 50–60); B. Small (pll. 28–31); T. Worfolk (pll. 1–11).

For general notes see #113.

Reviews: A. Pitches. 2011. *British Birds* 104 (4): 225–226.

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115. **del Hoyo, Josep, Andrew Elliott & David Christie.**
2011. *Handbook of the birds of the world. Tanagers to New World blackbirds.* 1st ed. Barcelona, Lynx Publishers. Vol. 16 of 16 vols.
 Hbk. (31 x 24 cm, with illus. dust cover), pp. 1–893+3, pll. 1–81 (col., several artists), 499 col. photos, 766 maps (distribution).
Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); Authors of volume 16 (p. 5); Editorial council (p. 7); note (p. 8); Conts. (p. 9); List of plates (pp. 10–11); Foreword: Climate change and birds (pp. 13–39, by Anders Pape Møller); Introduction to volume 16 (pp. 41–45); Thraupidae [Tanagers, pp. 46–329 (S. L. Hilty)]; Cardinalidae [Cardinals, pp. 330–427 (R. I. Orenstein)]; Emberizidae [Buntings and New World sparrows, pp. 428–683 (J. D. Rising, A. Jaramillo, J. L. Copete, P. G. Ryan & S. C. Madge)]; Icteridae [New World blackbirds, pp. 684–810 (R. M. Fraga)]; References [References of scientific descriptions (pp. 811–818), General list of references (pp. 819–876)]; Index (pp. 877–893).
Artists: H. Burn (pll. 1–34); D. Quinn (pll. 39, 45–49, 55); C. Rose (pll. 40–44); B. Small (pll. 35–38, 50–54, 56–70, 80); T. Worsfold (pll. 71–79, 81).
 For general notes see #113.
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116. **del Hoyo, Josep, Andrew Elliott, Jordi Sargatal & David Christie.**
2013. *Handbook of the birds of the world. Volume 17. Special volume: New species and global index.* 1st ed. Barcelona, Lynx Publishers.
 Hbk. (31.0 x 24.0 cm, with illus. dust cover), pp. 1–812+4, 3 pll. [col., by Jon Fjeldså (p. 145), Larry McQueen (p. 224), and Chris Rose (p. 14)], 214 illus. (col., by various artists), 50 figs., 319 col. photos, 94 maps (distribution).
Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); Editorial council (p. 5); note (p. 6); Conts. (p. 7); Introduction to special volume (pp. 9–13); Presentation of foreword (pp. 15–16, by Peter J. Schei); Foreword: Ninety years and growing: How BirdLife went from a council of experts to everybody's global partnership (pp. 17–75, by Nick Langley); Avian classification in flux (pp. 77–146, by Jon Fjeldså); The discovery of new bird species (pp. 147–185, by Jon Fjeldså); New bird species (pp. 187–222; illus. by Hilary Burn); Fifteen new species of Amazonian birds (pp. 225–239, by B. M. Whitney & M. Cohn-Haft); Original scientific descriptions (pp. 240–310; 15 papers, by various authors); HBW photo gallery (pp. 311–487); References [References of scientific descriptions (p. 491), General list of references (pp. 493–501)]; Global index [Index to scientific names (pp. 505–597), Index to English names (pp. 599–727), Index to French names (pp. 729–756), Index to German names (pp. 757–784), Index to Spanish names (pp. 785–812)].
 The species accounts contain subsections entitled: Taxonomy, subspecies and distribution, descriptive notes, habitat, food and feeding, breeding, movements, status and conservation and, bibliography. A distribution map is also given.
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117. **Deloche, J. & Madeleine Ly-Tio-Fane.**
2010. *Pierre Sonnerat: Nouveau Voyage aux Indes Orientales (1786–1813).* Pondicherry & Paris, Institut Français de Pondichéry & École Française d'Extrême Orient.
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118. **Devaprakash, J.**
2016. *Fliers of our courtyards: A book on some birds of Indian nuclear power plant sites.* Mumbai, India, Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited.
 Hbk. (23 x 25.5 cm, with illus., cover; in box), 101 photographs (col., by the author), pp. 1–212, 4 portrs. (col.).
Contents: Tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); conts. (p. 3); Foreword (p. 4, by S. K. Sharma); Pref. (p. 5, by N. Nagaich); introd. (p. 6); About ESP (p. 7); Our courtyards (pp. 8–15); The fliers (pp. 16–205); About the author (p. 206, with 1 portr.); About the technical guide (p. 207, S. Balachandran, 1 portr.); Acknowledgements (p. 208); Index of common names (p. 209); Index of scientific names (p. 210); References (p. 211).
 This work covers 94 spp., of birds that are found at the nuclear power plants in India. Each species is given a double page, with a photograph on one, and the following details on the other: English, and scientific names, colour, special feature, size, wingspan, distribution, habitat, when to see, and about the flier.
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119. **Devasar, Nikhil, Aman Sharma & Maitreya Sukumar.**
2019. *100 Indian birds.* New Delhi, India, Dorling Kindersley Publishing Pvt Ltd.
 Pbk. (12.5 x 17.5 cm), pp. 1–96, 156 col. photos (by Nitin Chandra; Ashok Chaudhary; Nikhil Devasar; Clement Francis; Aseem Kumar Kothiala; Manoj Kulshreshtha; Kavi Nanda; Rajat Sethi; Vijay Sethi; Aman Sharma; Chetna Sharma; Rajneesh Suvarna).
Contents: Tit. (p. 1); Imp., & conts. (p. 2); Foreword (p. 3, by Dia Mirza); About birds (pp. 4–5); Environment and ecology (pp. 6–7); How this book works (pp. 8–9); Birdwatching (p. 10); Bird photography (p. 11); Species texts (pp. 12–93); Glossary (p. 94); Index (p. 95); Acknowledgements (p. 96).
 This is a slim introduction to India's birds.
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120. **Devasar, Nikhil & Rajneesh Suvarna.**

2018. *Birds about Delhi: A field guide*. India, Dorling Kindersley Publishing Private Limited.

Pbk. (12.5 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–312, 800+ photos (col., various photographers), 8 maps.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); frontisp. & tit. (pp. 2–3, col. photo), imp. (p. 4); conts. (p. 5); foreword (p. 7, by Carol and Tim Inskipp); How this book works (pp. 8–9); Anatomy (pp. 10–11); Guide to birdwatching (pp. 12–13); Habitat (pp. 14–15); Nikhil Devasar's field notes (pp. 16–17); species accounts: waterfowl (pp. 18–33); Birding hotspot: Yamuna River (pp. 34–35); species accounts: landfowl, pigeons, dove, and sandgrouse, nightjars, swifts, swallows, and martins, cuckoos (pp. 36–65); Birding hotspot: Yamuna Biodiversity Park (pp. 66–67); species accounts: cranes, rails, and allies, flamingos, cranes, pelicans, and storks (pp. 68–83); Birding hotspot: Lokhi Gardens (pp. 84–85); species accounts: herons, ibis and spoonbills, cormorants and darter, waders (pp. 86–123); Birding hotspot: Asola Bhatti Wildlife Sanctuary (pp. 124–125); species accounts: skimmers, gulls and terns, raptors (pp. 126–159); Birding hotspot: Najafgarh Jheel (pp. 160–161); species accounts: owls, hornbills, bee-eaters, rollers, and kingfishers, woodpeckers and barbets, parakeets, pitta, cuckooshrikes and minivets, orioles, drongos, shrikes, crows, and allies (pp. 162–197); Birding hotspot: Sultanpur Bird Sanctuary (pp. 198–199); species accounts: sunbird and flowerpecker, weavers, munias, and sparrows, wagtails, pipits, finches and buntings, tits, larks, warblers, grassbirds, prinias, bulbuls (pp. 200–255); Birding hotspot: Dighal village (pp. 256–257); species accounts: babblers, nuthatches and creepers, starlings and mynas (pp. 258–269); Birding hotspot: Mangar Bani Forest (pp. 270–271); species accounts: flycatchers, chats, and redstarts, thrushes (pp. 272–293); Birding hotspot: Dhanauri wetlands (pp. 294–295); Other birding hotspots (pp. 296–297); Birds sighted before 1975 (pp. 298–299); List of rare birds (pp. 300–301); Glossary (pp. 302–303); Index (pp. 304–309); Acknowledgements (pp. 310–312).

Two chapters are written by invited authors: pipits (pp. 214–219, by Bill Harvey, with illus., by Clive Byers), and warblers (pp. 236–246, by Martin Kelsey, with illus., by Clive Byers).

Species accounts contain the following information (in brief): Introd., group name, opener band (col., coded), profile box (handy information on habitat, migration/resident status, size, IUCN Red List category, and status), photograph/s, classification, description, months seen in Delhi. The authors use 'Peterson' pointers for prominent features of species.

Birding hotspots contain a map, travel information, and birds spotted.

This field guide covers bird spp., seen in the National Capital Region (NCR), including vagrants, as entries across full, half, or quarter pages. Prior-1975 (28 spp.) and rare birds sighted (100 spp.) have been compiled as two handy lists.

The work lacks a complete checklist.

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121. **Dewar, Douglas.**

1911. *The Indian Crow: His book*. 2nd revised and enlarged ed. Madras, London, Higginbotham & Co., Luzac & Co.

Hbk. (12 x 17 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–xvi, 1–77+3, 7 ll., 16 line-drawings (by author), vignettes.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); pref., to the second edition (p. v, Allahabad, January 1st, 1911); pref., to the first edition (pp. vii–x, Madras, April 1st, 1905); confession (p. xi); quote (p. xiii); conts. (p. xv); His chits (pp. 1–8); His methods of obtaining a livelihood (pp. 9–23); His domestic affairs (pp. 24–34); His habits (pp. 35–48); His amusements (pp. 49–58); His foes (pp. 59–71); The crow as he appears to the Indian boy (pp. 72–77); advts.

On the paste-down front endpaper of my copy is the book-plate of [Lt.-Col.] R.W.C. Keays, "*Deo solo spes mea*" [= 'My trust is in God alone', website URL: <http://www.araltas.com/services/motto.html>, accessed on 06 August 2020.] The free endpaper is inscribed with an indecipherable signature, and, 'Mettupalaiyam | 27.4.17'.

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122. **Dewar, Douglas & Gerald Aylmer Levett-Yeats. (1863–1938)**

1923. *The common birds of India: Wild fowl, game birds and pigeons*. Calcutta, India, Thacker, Spink & Co.

8vo, pp. i–viii, 1–44, 1 pl. (col., by G. A. Levett-Yeats), line-drawings.

Contents: Vol. 1 Part 1: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Pref. (p. iii, by D. Dewar, dated Lahore, January, 21st, 1923); List of illustrations (p. v); Vernacular names of birds (pp. vi–viii); The ducks and their relatives: The resident ducks (pp. 1–8); migratory ducks: the divers (pp. 8–16); migratory ducks: the smaller non-divers (pp. 16–25); migratory ducks: the larger non-divers (pp. 25–32); key to the Indian ducks (pp. 32–35); Swans, geese, and pseudo-ducks (pp. 36–44). Vol. 1 Part 2: Snipe (pp. 45–52); Peafowl, jungle fowl and spurfowl (pp. 53–59); Pheasants (pp. 60–70); Partridges (pp. 71–81); Quails (pp. 82–90). Vol. 1 Part 3: Bustards and floricans (pp. 91–97); Sand-grouse (pp. 98–105); Doves (pp. 106–113); Pigeons (pp. 114–121); Index (pp. 123–126).

'The illustrations and most of the text of this volume appeared in *Empress*.' (Pref., p. i).

The *Ibis* review (see below) lists a few errors of fact in this work.

Reviews: Anon. 1923. *Ibis* (XI) V: 538–539.

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123. **Dewar, Douglas & Gerald Aylmer Levett-Yeats.**

1925. *The common birds of India: Nonsporting birds. Non-passerine water and land birds*. 2nd ed. Calcutta and Simla, India, Thacker, Spink & Co.

Hbk. (18.5 x 27.5cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–viii, 1–128, frontisp. (col. by; G.A. Levett-Yeats), 64 line-drawings (by; G. A. Levett-Yeats and from Le Messurier's *Game, Shore and Water Birds of India.*).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Publisher's foreword (p. iii); Conts. (p. v); List of illustrations (pp. vi–vii); Note: (p. viii); Non-sporting swimming birds (pp. 1–13); Non-perching waders (pp. 14–48); Perching waders (pp. 49–60); Non-passerine land birds (pp. 61–125); Index (pp. 127–128).

'Personally I am not in favour of what is called the trinomial nomenclature, because it is cumbersome, a tax on the memory and of very little use. If we know that the common kingfisher of Bengal is a small race we know that all the common kingfishers we see there belong to this race, and so there is no need to give it three names.

'However, I fear that the trinomial nomenclature will replace the present binomial one unless field naturalists make a very firm stand against the innovation.

'The reader will naturally ask "Who is responsible for the proposed innovation?" The answer is "The professional ornithologists in England." There are so few species of birds in England and the habits of these are so well known, that English ornithologists find themselves idle, and Satan finds work for idle hands. He has found for the cabinet ornithologists of England (who are mostly out of work) the congenial task of tinkering with birds' names and generally changing ornithological terminology. These gentlemen resort to the South Kensington Museum and amuse themselves by dividing up Indian and other foreign birds into sub-species, to the great annoyance of everyone except themselves. The standard book on Indian birds is being revised and the trinomial nomenclature is being adopted in the new edition.

'The result is that the name of nine out of every ten Indian birds is being changed, so that for the next ten or twenty years there will be great confusion-field naturalists will often be puzzled to know what particular bird is being described. Eventually, after a long period of tribulation everyone will get used to the new nomenclature; then Satan, will again arise and cause some ornithological pedant to discover that the nomenclature again needs reorganisation!' (Pp. 87–88.)

Review: Anon. 1925. *Ibis* (XII) 1: 496–497.

<Original consulted>

124. Dhadwal, Devinder Singh.

2011. *Wild wings: Pong & its birds*. Kangra, India, Published by the author.

Pbk. (17.5 x 21 cm, with illus. cover), pp. I–VIII, 1–149, 637 photographs (col., by author), 8 maps.

Contents: Half-tit. (1 l.); ded. (p. i, with portr.); imp. (p. ii, with portr., of author); foreword (p. iii, by Vinay Tandon, July 2011); foreword (pp. iv–v, by Ashwani Gulati, 7th September 2011); acknowledgements (p. vi); Tribute to birds (p. vii); conts. (p. viii); How to use this book and potential areas for birding (p. 1); Introduction Himachal Pradesh [sic] (pp. 2–3); Pong wetland (pp. 3–4); Pong gets global status (p. 5); Climate (p. 5); Zonation (pp. 5–6); Islands in the wetland (pp. 7–9); Historical places in and around Pong (p. 9); Significance of Pong wetland (pp. 9–10); Wetland habitats (pp. 10–14); Greater Pong, Socio-economic profile around Pong (p. 15); Faunal wealth of Pong (pp. 15–22); Nomadics (p. 22); Water dynamism, the main player (pp. 22–28); Birds (pp. 28–33); Estimation (pp. 34–35); Vultures (pp. 35–38); Breeding birds in Pong-Lake (during March - August) (pp. 38–39); Conflicting goals and objectives, and GPS locations (p. 39); Description of birds (pp. 40–42); Bird species (pp. 43–124); Magical Pong (pp. 125–133); How to reach (p. 133); Waterbird counts at the Pong Dam Bird Sanctuary w.e.f. 1988–89 to 2009–10 (p. 134); Checklist of birds recorded in Pong-lake sanctuary (pp. 135–145); Index of English names (pp. 146–148); References (p. 149; 7 references).

This work attempts to be a comprehensive guide to the region of Pong Dam, and to its birds. The main section contains a line or two on the features of every species, and their distribution.

The checklist (pp. 135–145) comprises 415 spp.

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125. Dhadwal, Devinder Singh.

2014. *Avifauna of Pong Lake (HP, India)*. India, Author.

Pbk. (27.5 x 21 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–vi, 1–210, 201 photographs (col., by author); 1 map.

Contents: Portr. (inside front cover, author); tit. (p. i); Portr. (p. ii, author); imp. (p. iii); foreword (p. iv, by Lalit Mohan); acknowledgement (p. v); index (p. vi); Pong Wetland (p. 1); Islands (pp. 2–5); Historical places (p. 6); Significance of Pong Wetland (p. 7); Socio-economic profile (p. 8); Water sports center (p. 9); Mammals (p. 10); Snakes (p. 11); Butterflies (p. 12); Fishes (p. 13); Nomadics (p. 14); Landscape (pp. 15–20); Plumage terminology (p. 21); Bird species (pp. 22–202); Wetland species of Pong Lake (pp. 203–208); Contacts (p. 209); How to reach (p. 209); References (p. 210).

The main section (pp. 22–202) contains a large photo of a species, and gives brief information on its size, diagnostic features, and occurrence. The checklist (pp. 203–208) contains 141 spp.

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126. Dhadwal, Devinder Singh.

2019. *Birds of Himachal Pradesh (Passerine)*. India, Published by the author. Vol. 2 of 2 vols.

Hbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–340, 934 photographs (col., by the author).

Contents: Tit. (first recto, illus. of Monolithic Masroor Temple); imp., and How to use (p. 1; begins on the verso); acknowledgement (p. 2); index (pp. 3–4); About bird Areas of Himachal Pradesh (p. 5); Critically Endangered species recorded

in H.P. (16 species in India) (p. 6); Endangered species recorded in H.P. (20 species in India) (p. 7); Vulnerable species recorded in H.P. (57 species in India) (pp. 8–9); Plumage (pp. 10–11); Species accounts (pp. 12–318); Expected species (p. 319); Passage migrant bird species of H.P. (pp. 320–321); Summer visiting birds (Passage migrants not included) (pp. 322–323); Winter visiting birds (Passage migrants not included) (pp. 324–327); Doubtful species that need further evidence (p. 328); Checklist of bird species (pp. 329–339); biodata of author (p. 340, with portr.).

This is a photographic guide to the passerines of the Pong Lake landscape. The main section (pp. 12–318) contains photographs of species, along with English name, scientific name, status (coded, for which see p. 1), size, and brief notes including place/s of specific sightings, often abbreviated (see p. 1).

The checklist (pp. 329–339) contains 360 spp.

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127. **Dhadwal, Devinder Singh & Bindu Kanwar.**

2018. *Birds of Himachal Pradesh (Non-Passerine)*. Himachal Pradesh, India, Published by the author. Vol. 1 of 2 vols.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–301, 707 photographs (col., by the author), 3 maps (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. 1, portr. of author); imp., and How to use (p. 2); foreword (p. 3, by Deepak Gupta, with portr.); Tribute to birds (p. 5); conts. (pp. 6–7); notes (pp. 8–9); Near Passerines (p. 10); Wetland birds (p. 11); Himachal Pradesh (pp. 12–13); Important Bird Areas of Himachal Pradesh (IBA) (p. 14); Bird Watching (p. 15); Plumage (pp. 16–17); Species accounts (pp. 18–287); Main lakes of H.P. (pp. 288–289); Main treks (pp. 290–292); Expected species (p. 293); Non-Passerine Birds of Himachal Pradesh (pp. 294–300); bio-data of authors (p. 301).

This is a photographic guide to the non-passerines of the Pong Lake landscape. The species accounts contain photographs of species, along with English name, scientific name, status (coded, for which see p. 2), size, and brief notes including place/s of specific sightings, often abbreviated (see p. 2).

The checklist (pp. 294–300) contains 309 spp.

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128. **Dick, John Henry. (1919–1995)**

1979. *Other edens: The sketchbook of an artist naturalist*. Connecticut, USA, The Devin-Adair Company.

Hbk. (17.5 x 21.5 cm, cloth with gilt title on spine, and illus. dust cover.), pp. i–xi, 1–275, 150 line drawings (by the author), 1 portr. (B&W, author; black flap of dust cover).

Contents: Illus. endpapers (early print by Samuel Howitt); half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. ii–iii, illus., inscribed by author, and another unidentified name); imp. (p. iv); conts. (p. v); ded. (p. vi); foreword (p. vii, by S. Dillon Ripley); pref. (p. ix–xi); line drawing (p. xii); East Africa - Discovery (pp. 1–34); East Africa II (pp. 35–63); line drawing (p. 64); India - Tiger hunting (pp. 65–91); line drawing (p. 92); Galápagos (pp. 93–111); line drawing (p. 112); First view of Antarctica (pp. 113–137); line drawing (p. 138); Alaska - Mount McKinley Park (pp. 139–153); line drawing (p. 154); New Guinea - The Stone Age and Birds of Paradise (pp. 155–179); line drawing (p. 180); Birding in India (pp. 181–199); line drawing (p. 200); The King Ranch (pp. 201–215); line drawing (p. 216); Greenland - Eskimos and Polar Bears (pp. 217–235); line drawing (p. 236); The America tropics - Costa Rica, Tikal, and Condors (pp. 237–251); line drawing (p. 252); The Falklands, South Georgia, and Antarctica (pp. 253–273); Envoi (p. 275).

John Henry Dick illustrated the milestone work of Ali & Ripley. 1983. *A pictorial guide to the birds of the Indian Subcontinent* (see Pittie 2010: 65–66).

'This sketchbook is a record—beautifully told and illustrated—of some of his [=J. H. Dick's] more spectacular expeditions to the last outposts of undisturbed nature ... [He] is particularly effective in his masterful black-and-white line drawings.' (Blurb on front flap of dust cover).

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129. **Dickinson, Edward Clive, Leslie K. Overstreet, Robert J. Dowsett & Murray D. Bruce. Eds.**

2011. *Priority! The dating of scientific names in ornithology: a directory to the literature and its reviewers*. Northampton, UK, Aves Press Limited.

Contents: Hbk. (21 x 30 cm, illus. cover), pp. 1–319+1 (Advt.), figs. 1–28, 1 CD.

Tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); conts. (p. 3); Abstract (p. 5); introd. (pp. 7–13); List of illus. (p. 8); Implications of the *International Code of Zoological Nomenclature* and some comments on these (by E. C. Dickinson, pp. 15–23); Our approach (by L. Overstreet & E. C. Dickinson, pp. 25–67); Books (pp. 69–164); Periodicals (pp. 165–253); References (pp. 255–283); Glossary (pp. 285–298); Appendices (pp. 299–301); Index of books (pp. 303–306); Index of periodicals (pp. 307–312); Index of scientific names (pp. 313–315); General index (pp. 316–318); The attached CD-Rom (p. 319); Advt. (p. 320).

Covers 148 books, and 267 periodicals (including those with multiple titles over the period of their publication). At least 115 of these 'entries' concern works on/from South Asia. Though most contributions in the book are by the lead author, Edward C. Dickinson, sixty other ornithologists have contributed/compiled data. Initials of contributors are inserted at the end of each entry.

Each 'entry' is dealt with in the form of a template, as in, after the title, are four sub-sections entitled, 'Remarks on publishing details; Reasons for considering the date problematic; Published authorities on this case; and, Conclusions/Recommendations.' Each entry ends with one of three conclusions, namely, 'R' (= Resolved), 'B' (=Best available), and 'U' (=Unresolved).

'Zoologists often raced to be first to describe a new animal. To some extent they still do, but rules are there to determine

winners. The "Principle of Priority" embodied in the International Code of Zoological Nomenclature is one of the cardinal rules. The rules act to sustain the recognition of the winners taking account of stability, because scientific names form the lingua franca of zoologists. Priority is all about timing. The date of publication is critical; determining this can be very challenging.

'Early printing and publishing practices had a significant influence on the visibility of a date of publication and on its veracity, even when the only date given was that of the year. A race won by "a short head" may have been a difference of just a day in the date of publication. This was why rules were needed, and this book is about interpreting and applying the current rules.

'Precedence, although exceptionally granted, is normally entirely derived from priority. The rules in the Code determine the outcome for 99% of taxon names. This directory discusses the books and periodicals which its compilers know have presented problems or still present problems as regards their dates. All these are examined by (1) briefly describing the work, (2) describing examples of the problems perceived, (3) giving references to relevant publications about such problems or reporting findings, and (4) offering a judgement on the status of resolution. Although many cases are considered satisfactorily resolved, in others the need for more work is stressed.

'Some of the many contributors have provided a mass of detail which, even if incomplete, is valuable and is here tabulated and put on record in the accompanying CD-ROM. But the compilers have strongly encouraged pre-publication of findings and some 27 of the many references listed are papers from the period 2003 to 2011 – the gestation period of this book – involving them or prompted by them. Most references either document perceived problems or refer to relevant content in the works of bibliography's giants in ornithology (Sherborn, Richmond, Mathews, Zimmer, Wood and Mengel) and their appreciative followers. A major objective is to act as a directory by providing links to those works.

'A necessary foundation at the start includes extracts from the governing Code, with comments, and explanations of what is involved in the two elements of publication: printing and distribution, with details of the nature and import of the clues to be found in quests for accurate dates. This is followed by comments on available resources and their value. A glossary and several indexes complete the work. Several entries are pertinent to the ornithology of South Asia' (p. 5).

Reviews: Robert Prys-Jones. 2012. *Bull. B.O.C.* 132 (1): 1–2; James J. Jobling. 2012. in *Zoological Bibliography* 2 (1): 50–51.

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130. Dickinson, Edward Clive & J. V. Remsen jr. Eds.

2013. *The Howard and Moore complete checklist of the birds of the world: 1. Non-passerines*. Eastbourne, UK, Aves Press.

Hbk. (21 x 30 cm, no dust cover), pp. i–l, 1–461, 1 CD-ROM (inside back cover).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); Pref. (pp. v–vii); Subscribers (p. viii); Conts. (p. ix); Conts., of accompanying CD-ROM (p. x); Introd. (pp. xi–xx); Avian higher-level relationships and classification: nonpasseriforms (pp. xxi–xlili; by Joel Cracraft); Table of contents, links to past lists, and statistics (pp. xlv–xlvi); Making full use of the list as presented (pp. xlix–l); The checklist (pp. 1–385); Appendix 1: nomenclature of the higher classificatory ranks of birds (pp. 387–390; by Richard Schodde); Appendix 2: matters of nomenclature and taxonomy (pp. 391–401); Appendix 3: English names (pp. 403–404; by D. R. Wells, R. J. Dowsett & L. Svensson); Appendix 4: variable species-group names and their gender endings (pp. 405–408; by Normand David & Michel Gosselin); Index of scientific names (pp. 409–451); Index of English names (pp. 453–461).

The sequence of families followed by this work, for the areas relevant to this bibliography (South Asia), is as follows: Anatidae, Megapodiidae, Phasianidae, Phoenicopteridae, Podicipedidae, Columbidae, Pteroclididae, Phaethontidae, Podargidae, Caprimulgidae, Apodidae, Cuculidae, Rallidae, Heliornithidae, Gruidae, Otidae, Gaviidae, Oceanitidae, Diomedidae, Hydrobatidae, Procellariidae, Ciconiidae, Pelecanidae, Ardeidae, Threskiornithidae, Fregatidae, Sulidae, Phalacrocoracidae, Anhingidae, Burhinidae, Haematopodidae, Recurvirostridae, Charadriidae, Rostratulidae, Jacanidae, Scolopacidae, Turnicidae, Dromadidae, Glareolidae, Stercorariidae, Laridae, Pandionidae, Accipitridae, Tytonidae, Strigidae, Trogonidae, Bucerotidae, Upupidae, Indicatoridae, Picidae, Ramphastidae, Meropidae, Coraciidae, Alcedinidae, Falconidae, and Psittacidae.

This authoritative world checklist covers 983 genera, 4,072 spp., (including those listed extinct), 56 extinct spp., 7,184 ssp., (including listed extinct), and 59 extinct ssp., (p. xlvii). The work is extensively footnoted and cross-referenced.

Review: Martin Collinson. 2014. *British Birds* 107 (3): 179–180.

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131. Dickinson, Edward Clive & Les Christidis. Eds.

2014. *The Howard and Moore complete checklist of the birds of the world: 2. Passerines*. Eastbourne, UK, Aves Press.

Hbk. (21 x 30 cm, no dust cover), pp. i–lii, 1–752, 1 CD-ROM.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv, with line drawing); pref. and acknowledgements (pp. v–vii); Subscribers (p. viii; 128); conts. (p. ix); conts. of the accompanying CD-ROM (p. x); introd. (pp. xi–xv); Avian higher level relationships and classification: Passeriformes (pp. xvii–xlv, by Joel Cracraft); Table of contents, links and statistics (pp. xlvii–xlix); Making full use of the list as presented (pp. li–lii); The checklist (pp. 1–629); Appendix 1: Nomenclature of the higher classificatory ranks of birds (pp. 631–634, by Richard Schodde); Appendix 2: Notes on taxonomy and nomenclature (pp. 635–646); Appendix 3: Common names in English—Volume 2 update (pp. 647–648, by D.R. Wells, R.J. Dowsett, L. Svensson & Les Christidis); Appendix 4: Variable species-group names and their gender endings (pp. 649–652, by Normand David & Michel Gosselin); Errata and corrigenda to volume 1 (pp. 653–659); Index of scientific names (pp. 661–736); Index of English names (pp. 737–752); Gazetteer CD-ROM (in envelope stuck to paste down of back endpaper).

The sequence of families followed by this work, for the areas relevant to this bibliography (South Asia), is as follows: Pittidae, Eurylaimidae, Campephagidae, Pachycephalidae, Oriolidae, Artamidae, Aegithinidae, Dicruridae, Rhipiduridae, Laniidae, Corvidae, Monarchidae, Dicaeidae, Nectariniidae, Irenidae, Prunellidae, Ploceidae, Estrildidae, Passeridae, Motacillidae, Fringillidae, Emberizidae, Paridae, Remizidae, Alaudidae, Panuridae, Cisticolidae, Locustellidae, Acrocephalidae, Pnoepygidae, Hirundinidae, Pycnonotidae, Phylloscopidae, Scotocercidae, Aegithalidae, Sylviidae, Zosteropidae, Timaliidae, Pellorneidae, Leiothrichidae, Regulidae, Bombycillidae, Hypocoliidae, Certhiidae, Sittidae, Troglodytidae, Sturnidae, Muscicapidae, and Turdidae.

This authoritative world checklist covers 1,357 genera, 6,063 spp., (including listed extinct), 58 extinct spp., 10,673 ssp., (including listed extinct), and 59 extinct ssp., (p. xlix). The work is extensively footnoted and cross-referenced.

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132. Diesselhorst, Gerd. (1911–2008)

1968. *Beiträge zur Ökologie der Vögel Zentral- und Ost-Nepals*.* 1st ed. Innsbruck-München, Universitätsverlag Wagner Ges. M.B.H. Vol. 2 of 2 vols.

Hbk. (18.5 x 26 cm, cloth, with reverse embossed tit. on cover), pp. 1–420, 40 photos (B&W), 1 map (folded, slipped into inside back cover).

Contents: Intro. (pp. 8–11); Itinerary (pp. 11–12); Description of collection sites and routes (pp. 50–103); Summary bird lists (pp. 104–120); Detailed lists of species encountered (pp. 123–404); English summary (pp. 405–410); Bibliography (pp. 411–412); Index of scientific names (pp. 413–417); [conts. of vol. 1] (pp. 419–420).

This important ornithological work, part of a larger research program**, was undertaken in February–November 1962; c.2,000 specimens were obtained; c.1,700 by the expedition. 'A further 300 skins collected in the Valley since 1962 have been acquired from Mr. Govind Bahadur Gurung of Kathmandu, who was a member of our 1962 party in the capacity of Liaison Officer of the Nepalese Government' (p. 405). Coverage of species, for the areas studied, is very comprehensive.

In German. *'Research on the ecology of the birds of central and east Nepal' (Ripley 1969; see Pittie 2010: 620).

**This two-volume work was edited by W. Hellmich, and entitled, *Khumbhu Himal: Ergebnisse des Forschungsunternehmens Nepal Himalaya* (Pittie 2010: 371).

Reviews: S. Dillon Ripley. 1969. *The Auk* 86: 577–578; 'M.D.' 1969. *Ibis* 111: 259–260.

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133. Director: Zoological Survey of India. Ed.

2008. *Fauna of Pin Valley National Park (Himachal Pradesh)*. Conservation Area Series, 34. Kolkata, India, Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18 x 24 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–iv, 1–147, pll. I–VIII (17 col. photos), 3 maps.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); Imprint (p. ii); Conts. (pp. iii–iv); Pin Valley National Park: An overview (pp. 1–10, by R. M. Sharma); Annelida: Oligochaeta (pp. 11–22, by R. Paliwal); Crustacea: Isopoda (pp. 23–24, by M. K. Devroy); Mollusca (pp. 25–28, by S. G. Patil); Chilopoda: Scolopendromorpha (pp. 29–32, by Vinod Khanna); Scorpionida (pp. 33–36, by D. B. Bastawade); Arachnida: Araneae (pp. 37–44, by D. B. Bastawade); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 45–49, by M. S. Shishodia); Insecta: Dermaptera (pp. 51–52, by G. K. Srivastava); Insecta: Hymenoptera: Formicidae (pp. 53–60, by Neena Tak & N. S. Rathore); Insecta: Hymenoptera: Aculeata (pp. 61–64, by S. K. Gupta); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera (pp. 65–74, by R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Diptera (pp. 75–84, by Bulganin Mitra, P. Parui, M. Mukherjee & R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Coleoptera (pp. 85–88, by P. Mukhopadhyay & R. M. Sharma); Pisces (pp. 89–92, by H. S. Mehta & Indu Sharma); Herpetofauna (pp. 93–96, by Uttam Saikia, R. M. Sharma & D. K. Sharma); Aves (pp. 97–136, by Prakash Chand Tak & R. Paliwal); Mammalia (pp. 137–147, by D. K. Sharma, Prakash Chand Tak & Uttam Saikia).

The chapter on Aves lists 72 taxa, based on trips to the area in September 2000 and May 2002. Species that are included here, but were not seen by the authors, are taken from other published works. The systematic account contains information on: Diagnostics, locality, distribution, elsewhere (extralimital), habitat, status, and remarks. Thirteen works are listed under References.

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134. Director: Zoological Survey of India. Ed.

2008. *Fauna of Lonar Wildlife Sanctuary*. Conservation Area Series, 37. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–208, 1 map.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); An overview (pp. 1–15, by Anil Mahabal); Mammalia (pp. 17–28, by M. S. Pradhan & S. S. Talmale); Aves (pp. 29–100, by Anil Mahabal, P. M. Vyawahare & Sachin R. Patil); Reptilia (pp. 101–105, by M. S. Pradhan); Amphibians (pp. 107–111, by Satish S. Kamble); Mollusca (pp. 113–123, by S. G. Patil); Rotifera (pp. 125–127, by S. G. Patil); Ostracods (pp. 129–131, by S. G. Patil & S. S. Talmale); Arachnida: Scorpionida, Araneae and Opiliones (pp. 133–153, by D. B. Bastawade); Chilopoda: Scolopendromorpha (pp. 155–158, by P. M. Sureshan & B. E. Yadav); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 159–167, by P. P. Kulkarni & S. S. Talmale); Insecta: Hymenoptera: Chalcidoidea: Pteromalidae (pp. 169–179, by P. M. Sureshan); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera and Grypocera (pp. 181–190, by R. M. Sharma); Ecological profile of impact—Crater Lake, Lonar (pp. 191–208, by S. Z. Siddiqi);

The chapter on Aves (pp. 29–100) deals with 160 species. Table 1 (pp. 32–40) provides a cross-reference to Ali & Ripley's *Handbook* number, name of species, common name, and residential status. The systematic list (pp. 43–99) contains the following details: Family, scientific name, English name, references, status and distribution, habits and habitats, food, and breeding season. Ten works are listed under References.

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135. Director: Zoological Survey of India. Ed.

2010. *Faunal diversity of Baghmara Reserve Forest: Meghalaya*. Conservation Area Series 44. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF, pp. i–iv, 1–99, 11 photographs (col.).

Contents: Faunal diversity of Baghmara: An overview (pp. 1–3, by S. J. S. Hattar); Testate Amoebae (pp. 4–10, by Sumita Sharma); Rotifera: Eurotatoria (pp. 11–23, by Sumita Sharma); Cladocera (Crustacea: Branchiopoda) (pp. 25–33, by Sumita Sharma); Insecta: Hymenoptera: Formicidae (pp. 35–42, by Rosamma Mathew); Pisces (pp. 43–67, by Nibedita Sen); Amphibia (pp. 69–76, by Nibedita Sen & Rosamma Mathew); Reptilia (pp. 77–81, by Rosamma Mathew); Appendix (pp. 83–92); pll. (pp. 94–99).

The Appendix has a list of 37 bird spp., (pp. 88–90).

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136. Director: Zoological Survey of India. Ed.

2013. *Fauna of Bhadra Wildlife Sanctuary and Tiger Reserve (Karnataka, India)*. Conservation Area Series, 46. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–231, pll. I–XVI (col., 120 photographs), 1 map

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); Fauna of Bhadra Wildlife Sanctuary: An overview (pp. 1–10, by C. Radhakrishnan); Platygastridae (Hymenoptera: Platygastridae) (pp. 11–23, by K. Rajmohana); Hymenoptera: Diapriidae (pp. 25–29, by K. Rajmohana & C. Bijoy); Mantodea (pp. 31–36, by P. M. Sureshan); Odonata (pp. 37–65, by K. G. Emiliyamma & C. Radhakrishnan); Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera (pp. 67–95, by Muhamed Jafer Palot & C. Radhakrishnan); Chilopoda: Scolopendromorpha (pp. 97–100, by P. M. Sureshan & B. Dhanya); Pisces (pp. 101–115, by K. C. Gopi); Amphibia (pp. 117–151, by K. P. Dinesh & C. Radhakrishnan); Reptilia (pp. 153–163, by Muhamed Jafer Palot & C. Radhakrishnan); Aves (pp. 165–218, by Muhamed Jafer Palot); Mammalia (pp. 219–231, by Muhamed Jafer Palot & C. Radhakrishnan).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 165–218) records 273 taxa of which 21 are new for the tiger reserve. The systematic account gives the following details for each taxon: Scientific name, English name, habitat and status, and occurrence during the survey. Seventeen works are listed under references.

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137. Director: Zoological Survey of India. Ed.

2013. *Faunal diversity of Pangri Valley, Chamba District (Himachal Pradesh)*. Himalayan Ecosystem Series, 3. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–120, pll. I–XVI (col., 88 photographs), 4 maps.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); Pangri Valley: An overview (pp. 1–11, by Avtar Kaur Sidhu, Indu Sharma, Uttam Saikia & Kamal Saini); Protozoa (pp. 13–30, by Bindu, L.); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 31–40, by Kamal Saini); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera (pp. 41–70, by Avtar Kaur Sidhu); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Heterocera (pp. 71–82, by Avtar Kaur Sidhu, Simranjeet Kaur & Indu Sharma); Insecta: Heteroptera (pp. 83–86, by Biswabrota Biswas & Animesh Bal); Reptilia (pp. 87–93, by Uttam Saikia); Aves (pp. 95–106, by Uttam Saikia); Mammalia (pp. 107–120, by Indu Sharma & Uttam Saikia).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 95–106) deals with 75 taxa, recorded during three two-week trips in August 2007, May 2008, and July 2009. A systematic list is present as a table, giving the following details: Common name, scientific name, abundance status, and observed months. Forty-three works are listed under References.

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138. Director: Zoological Survey of India. Ed.

2008. *Fauna of Mizoram*. State Fauna Series, 14. Reprint ed. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Hbk. (20.5 x 27.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–v, 1–691, pll. 1–4 (maps, etc), I–XXVIII (col. photos), line-drawings, text-figs.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Conts. (pp. iii–v); Fauna of Mizoram: an overview (pp. 1–11, by Ramakrishna); chapters 2–35 (pp. 13–505, covering lesser forms of life, insects, spiders, plant mites, etc., by various authors); Fishes (pp. 507–535, by A. K. Karmakar & A. Das); Amphibia (pp. 537–544, by S. K. Chanda); Reptilia (pp. 545–577, by Rosamma Mathew); Aves (pp. 579–607, by B. B. Dutta & S. S. Saha); Mammals (pp. 609–653, by Ajoy Kumar Mandal, A. K. Poddar, & T. P. Bhattacharyya); Animal fossils (pp. 655–691, by T. K. Pal, S. K. Roy, & U. Saha).

The 370 spp. and ssp. of birds listed are based on the literature.

An ornithological account of 215 taxa has specimen details, diagnostic characters, movements, distribution and remarks. Nine references are listed (p. 607).

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139. Director: Zoological Survey of India. Ed.

2008. *Fauna of Goa*. State Fauna Series, 16. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Hbk. (20.5 x 27 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–iv, 1–531, pll. 1–8, I–IV, I–IV, maps, text-figs.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Conts. (pp. iii–iv); An overview (pp. 1–8, by Anil Mahabal); Parasitic Protozoa: blood protozoa (Haemoflagellates, Haemogregarines, Haemosporidians and Piroplasms) (pp. 9–59, by N. C. Nandi); Land and freshwater molluscs (pp. 61–72, by S. G. Patil); Chilopoda: Scolopendromorpha (pp. 73–77, by P. M. Sureshan & B. E. Yadav); Cladocera (pp. 79–101, by Pramod D. Rane); Land and marine isopods: Oniscidae, Sphaeromatidae (Crustacea: Isopoda) (pp. 103–107, by M. K. Dev Roy); Marine and estuarine crabs (pp. 109–154, by M. K. Dev Roy & S. Bhadra); Anomuran crabs: Diogenidae, Porcellanidae, Hippidae (Crustacea: Decapoda) (pp. 155–164, by M. K. Dev Roy & K. N. Reddy); Crustacea: Decapoda: Palaemonidae: Gecarcinucidae (pp. 165–172, by S. S. Ghatak & S. K. Ghosh); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 173–194, by P. P. Kulkarni & S. S. Talmale); Insecta: Mantodea (pp. 195–198, by S. S. Jadhav); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera and Grypocera (pp. 199–210, by R. M. Sharma & M. R. Borkar); Arachnida (Orders Scorpiones, Uropygi, Amblypygi, Araneae and Phalangida) (pp. 211–242, by D. B. Bastawade & Manoj Borkar); Freshwater fishes (pp. 243–272, by B. E. Yadav); Amphibian (pp. 273–280, by Satish S. Kamble); Reptilia (pp. 281–364, by M. S. Pradhan); Aves (pp. 365–430, by Anil Mahabal & Sachin R. Patil); Mammalia (pp. 431–496, by M. S. Pradhan); Wetland faunal resources of Goa (pp. 497–531, by N. C. Nandi, M. K. Dev Roy, S. R. Das, S. G. Patil, B. E. Yadav, & Anil Mahabal).

The chapter on birds contains an annotated list of 458 taxa. Forty-two references are listed on pp. 367–369.

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140. Director: Zoological Survey of India. Ed.

2010. *Fauna of Uttarakhand (Part-1) Vertebrates*. State Fauna Series, 18. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Hbk. (20.5 x 27.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. [i–iv], 1–621, pll. I–VIII (col., with 54 photographs), 2 maps (1 col., 1 line-drawing).

Contents: Tit., imp., conts. [pp. i–iii]; An overview (pp. 1–26, by Prakash Chand Tak, J. P. Sati & P. T. Bhutia); Mammalia (pp. 27–76, by J. P. Sati & Prakash Chand Tak); Aves (pp. 77–443, by Prakash Chand Tak & J. P. Sati); Reptilia (pp. 445–503, by Archana Bahuguna); Amphibia (pp. 505–532, by Archana Bahuguna & P. T. Bhutia); Pisces (pp. 533–621, by Devi Prasad Uniyal).

The list of birds in Aves (pp. 77–443) contains 743 spp; and lists ninety-three references.

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141. Director: Zoological Survey of India. Ed.

2013. *Fauna of Karnataka*. State Fauna Series. 21. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–vii, 1–595+16, pll. 1–16 (col., 122 photographs), 1 map.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Foreword (pp. iii, by Dipak Sarmah, 23/08/2013); conts. (pp. v–vii); An overview (pp. 1–6, by K. Ilango); Sponges (pp. 7–20, by); Mollusca: Freshwater Gastropods (pp. 21–31, by V. R. Punithavelu & M. B. Raghunathan); Annelida: Earthworm (pp. 33–38, by C. K. Mandal, Santanu Mitra & S. Dhani); Annelida: Freshwater Oligochaeta (pp. 39–49, by T. Biswas & C. K. Mandal); Annelida: Leeches (pp. 51–55, by C. K. Mandal); Crustacea: Cladocera (pp. 57–62, by M. B. Raghunathan); Crustacea: Decapoda: Caridea (pp. 63–72, by R. K. Valarmathi & M. B. Raghunathan); Crustacea: Decapoda: Gecarcinucidae (Freshwater and land crabs) (pp. 73–78, by O. P. Srivastava); Insecta: Ephemeroptera (p. 79, by R. M. Sharma & Kailash Chandra); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 81–84, by K. G. Emiliyamma & K. A. Subramanian); Insecta: Plecoptera (pp. 85–86, by R. M. Sharma & Kailash Chandra); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 87–96, by D. Prabhakar & Kailash Chandra); Insecta: Orthoptera: Acridoidea (pp. 97–122, by S. K. Mandal, K. Yadav & S. Chakrabarty); Dermaptera (pp. 123–124, by Baiju Lal & V. D. Hegde); Insecta: Embioptera (pp. 125–126, by R. M. Sharma & Kailash Chandra); Insecta: Mantodea (pp. 127–128, by R. M. Sharma & Kailash Chandra); Insecta: Homoptera: Membracidae (pp. 129–132, by G. Thirumalai & S. Prabakaran); Insecta: Hemiptera (Aquatic and semi-aquatic) (pp. 133–162, by G. Thirumalai); Insecta: Neuroptera (pp. 163–165, by R. M. Sharma & Kailash Chandra); Insecta: Coleoptera: Tenebrionidae (pp. 167–172, by V. D. Hegde); Insecta: Coleoptera: Scarabaeidae: Scarabaeinae Dung beetles (pp. 173–178, by Seena Narayanan Karimbumkara & Priyadarsanan Dharma Rajan); Insecta: Diptera: Cecidomyiidae (pp. 179–181, by R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Diptera: Tabanidae (pp. 183–184, by R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Diptera: Psychodidae (Moth flies and sand flies) (pp. 185–186, by K. Ilango); Insecta: Diptera: Bombyliidae (pp. 187–189, by Bulganin Mitra & R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Diptera: Calliphoridae (pp. 191–192, by R. M. Sharma & Bulganin Mitra); Insecta: Diptera: Sarcophagidae (pp. 193–194, by R. M. Sharma & Bulganin Mitra); Insecta: (pp. 195–196, by R. M. Sharma & Kailash Chandra); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera (pp. 197–206, by Muhamed Jafer Palot & C. Radhakrishnan); Insecta: Trichoptera (pp. 207–209, by R. M. Sharma & Kailash Chandra); Insecta: Hymenoptera: Chalcidoidea: Pteromalidae (pp. 211–218, by P. M. Sureshan); Insecta: Hymenoptera: Platygastroidea (pp. 219–224, by Rajmohana K.); Centipedes (Chilopoda: Scolopendromorpha) (pp. 225–232, by Vinod Khanna); Scorpionida (pp. 233–237, by T. J. Indra); Freshwater fishes (pp. 239–276, by K. Rema Devi, T. J. Indra, B. E. Yadav, M. B. Raghunathan, S. Krishnan & S. S. Jadhav); Marine and estuarine fish (pp. 277–387, by R. P. Barman, S. S. Mishra, S. Kar & S. C. Saren); Amphibia (pp. 389–434, by Dinesh, K. P., C. adhakrishnan, Sukumar Ray, P. G. S. Sathy & G. K. Bahatta); Reptiles (pp. 435–465, by R. Aengals & M. S. Pradhan); Aves (pp. 467–493, by G. Thirumalai, R. Aengals, S. Krishnan & D. Prabakar); Mammalia (pp. 495–595, by M. S. Pradhan & S. S. Talmale).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 467–493) lists 536 taxa. The tabulated information provides details about Family, common name, scientific name (with author, and year), conservation status, endemic status, threat status, and legal status. Abbreviations and symbols are used for: common resident, not common passage migrant, vagrant, not common resident, common winter visitor, not common winter visitor, locally common resident, locally common winter visitor, not common winter visitor or passage migrant, not common summer visitor, species endemic to the Western Ghats or Eastern Ghats, occurring in Tamilnadu, Critical, Endangered, Least Concern, Vulnerable, Near Threatened, and Schedule I, Schedule IV, and Schedule V of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.

Twenty-four works are listed under References.

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142. Director: Zoological Survey of India. Ed.

2009. *Faunal diversity of Pong Dam and its catchment area (District Kangra, Himachal Pradesh)*. Wetland Ecosystem Series No. 12. Kolkata, India, Director, Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18 x 23.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–vi, 1–138, pll. I–VIII, 1 map, text-figs.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Conts. (p. iii); Acknowledgements (p. v); An overview (pp. 1–6, by H. S. Mehta, Kamal Saini, and Indu Sharma); Earthworm (Oligochaeta) (pp. 7–12, by R. Paliwal & J. M. Julka); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 13–19, by R. Babu, H. S. Mehta & Saini Kamal); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera (pp. 21–41, by Kamal Saini, Avtar Kaur Sidhu & H. S. Mehta); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 43–63, by Kamal Saini, H. S. Mehta & S. K. Mondal); Pices (pp. 65–92, by Indu Sharma & H. S. Mehta); Amphibia (pp. 93–97, by H. S. Mehta & Indu Sharma); Reptilia (pp. 99–108, by Uttam Saikia & H. S. Mehta); Aves (pp. 109–138, by R. Paliwal & H. S. Mehta).

The chapter on birds contains an annotated list of 418 taxa. Fourteen references are listed on pp. 110–111.

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143. Director: Zoological Survey of India. Ed.

2010. *Limnological and faunistic studies of Pocharam Lake, Nizamabad-Medak District, Andhra Pradesh*. Wetland Ecosystem Series No. 13. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18 x 23.5 cm, with illus. cover), [pp. i–iv], pp. 1–181, pll. 1–8 (32 col., photos), 1 map, text-figs., tables.

Contents: Tit. [p. i]; imp. [p. ii]; Conts. [p. iii]; Introduction & Limnology (pp. 1–28, by S. V. A. Chandrasekhar & C. A. Nageswara Rao); Zooplankton (pp. 29–36, by J. Deepa & C. A. N. Rao); Aquatic insects (Hemiptera & Coleoptera) (pp. 37–49, by J. Deepa & C. A. N. Rao); Crustacea (pp. 51–56, by S. S. Ghatak, S. K. Ghosh & M. K. Dev Roy); Mollusca (pp. 57–74, by K. V. Surya Rao); Ichthyofauna (pp. 75–98, by C. Srinivasulu & Bhargavi Srinivasulu); Herpetofauna (pp. 99–112, by C. Srinivasulu & Bhargavi Srinivasulu); Aves (pp. 113–168, by C. Srinivasulu & Bhargavi Srinivasulu); Mammalia (pp. 169–181, by C. Srinivasulu & Bhargavi Srinivasulu).

The chapter on birds contains an annotated list of 198 taxa. Thirteen references are listed on p. 167.

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144. Director: Zoological Survey of India. Ed.

2013. *Faunistic and limnological studies on Wyr Lake, Khammam District, Andhra Pradesh*. Wetland Ecosystem Series, 16. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–158.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); Introduction and limnology (pp. 1–26, by S. V. A. Chandrasekhar, C. A. Nageswara Rao & Deepa, J.); Rotifera (pp. 27–33, by S. V. A. Chandrasekhar); Cladocera (pp. 35–39, by S. V. A. Chandrasekhar); Aquatic insects (pp. 41–57, by Deepa, J.); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 59–68, by Bhargavi, C. Srinivasulu & Deepa, J.); Crustacea (pp. 69–73, by S. S. Ghatak, S. K. Ghosh & M. K. Dev Roy); Freshwater molluscs (pp. 75–96, by K. V. Surya Rao, K. Venkatesan & C. A. N. Rao); Ichthyofauna (pp. 97–116, by C. A. N. Rao, Deepa, J., Mohd. Hakeel & S. V. A. Chandrasekhar); Herpetofauna (pp. 117–124, by C. Srinivasulu); Aves (pp. 125–158, by C. Srinivasulu).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 125–158) lists 160 taxa of birds from surveys during 2006–2007 at Wyr, Singaraipalem, Siddiqnagar, and Reddygudem. A systematic list provides the following information: Binomial data, English name, type locality, and remarks. Eighteen works are listed under References.

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145. Director: Zoological Survey of India. Ed.

2017. *Fauna of Phansad Wildlife Sanctuary, Maharashtra. Conservation Area Series, 59*. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–vi, 1–197+24, pll. I–VIII (38 col., photographs between pp. 4–5), 3 maps.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (pp. iii–iv); Phansad Wildlife Sanctuary: An overview (pp. 1–4, by R. M. Sharma); Freshwater sponges (pp. 5–7, by Shriraj S. Jakhalekar & Hemant V. Ghate); Freshwater crabs (Brachyura: Gecarcinucidae) (pp. 9–14, by S. K. Patil & R. M. Sharma); Mollusca (pp. 15–26, by S. K. Pati & R. M. Sharma); Arachnida: Araneae (pp. 27–30, by Sachin R. Patil); Scorpionida (pp. 31–33, by S. S. Jadhav & S. V. Paripatyadar); Chilopoda: Scolopendromorpha: Scolopendridae (pp. 35–39, by S. S. Jadhav, D. Balan, P. M. Sureshan & R. M. Sharma); Collembola (Arthropoda: Hexapoda: Entognatha) (pp.

41–48, by Ruquaeya Bano); Insecta: Mantodea (pp. 49–56, by S. S. Jadhav, H. V. Ghate & R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 57–76, by Priyanka Dutta Saha & K. A. Subramanian); Insecta: Orthoptera: Acrididae (pp. 77–91, by P. S. Bhatnagar); Insecta: Coleoptera (Aquatic) (pp. 93–107, by Ruquaeya Bano & R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Hemiptera (Aquatic and semi aquatic Heteroptera) (pp. 109–117, by S. S. Jadhav, M. J. Jadhav & R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera and Gypocera (Butterflies) (pp. 119–140, by R. M. Sharma & Manoj J. Jadhav); Insecta: Hymenoptera: Vespidae (pp. 141–151, by Manoj Jadhav, R. M. Sharma & S. M. Gaikwad); Freshwater fishes (pp. 153–166, by S. S. Jadhav & M. J. Jadhav); Amphibia (pp. 167–172, by Satish S. Kamble); Reptilia (pp. 173–178, by Sreejith S. Kumar & S. S. Jadhav); Aves (pp. 179–191, by P. S. Bhatnagar & Sreejith S. Kumar); Mammalia (pp. 193–204, by P. S. Bhatnagar).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 179–191) lists 127 taxa which were observed during 2010–2013, with additions from published literature. It lists eleven works under References. It contains a tabulated checklist that gives the following information: Ali & Ripley's *Handbook* reference number, scientific binomen, Common name, residential status, food habit, WPA, 1972, and IUCN status.

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146. Director, Zoological Survey of India. Ed.

2019. *Fauna of Malabar Wildlife Sanctuary, Kozhikode, Kerala. Conservation Area Series, 62.* Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–326, 52 pll. (293 col., photographs), 2 maps (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii–iv); Fauna of Malabar Wildlife Sanctuary, Kozhikode, Kerala: An overview (pp. 1–9, by P. M. Sureshan); Freshwater crabs (Decapoda: Brachyura: Gecarcinucidae) (pp. 11–15, by S. K. Pati, R. M. Sharma & P. M. Sureshan); Collembola (pp. 17–24, by G. P. Mandal, K. K. Suman & K. K. Bhattacharya); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 25–40, by K. G. Emiliyamma); Insecta: Isoptera (pp. 41–55, by Anima Poovoli & K. Rajmohana); Insecta: Mantodea (pp. 57–63, by P. M. Sureshan); Insecta: Dermaptera (pp. 65–69, by K. G. Emiliyamma); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera (pp. 71–116, by Muhamed Jafer Palot); Insecta: Hymenoptera: Vespidae (pp. 117–124, by P. Girish Kumar & P. M. Sureshan); Insecta: Hymenoptera: Diapriidae (pp. 125–129, by Rajmohana K. & Shweta M.); Insecta: Hymenoptera: Platygastroidea: Platygastriidae (pp. 131–142, by Rajmohana K. & Shweta M.); Insecta: Hymenoptera: Ceraphronidae (pp. 143–146, by C. Bijoy, K. Rajmohana & M. Shweta); Insecta: Hymenoptera: Chalcidoidea: Pteromalidae (pp. 147–153, by P. M. Sureshan); Arachnida: Aranea (spiders) (pp. 155–189, by Dhruba Chandra Dhali, Sunil K. Jose & P. M. Sureshan); Arachnida: Scorpiones (pp. 191–195, by P. M. Sureshan & K. Awasthi); Arachnida: Thelyphonida (Whip scorpions) (pp. 197–199, by Dhruba Chandra Dhali & P. M. Sureshan); Chilopoda: Scoopendromorpha (pp. 201–208, by P. M. Sureshan & Dhanya Balan); Mollusca: Gastropoda (snails) (pp. 209–214, by S. K. Pati, R. M. Sharma & P. M. Sureshan); Pisces (pp. 215–229, by Shaji C. P. & Muhamed Jafer Palot); Amphibian (pp. 231–244, by K. P. Dinesh & B. H. Channakeshava Murthy); Reptilia (pp. 245–265, by Muhamed Jafer Palot); Aves (pp. 267–311, by Muhamed Jafer Palot); Mammalia (pp. 313–326, by Muhamed Jafer Palot).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 267–311) lists 197 taxa in a systematic account that provides the following details: Class, Order, Family, Scientific name, English name, scientific binomen, habitat, distribution, and status, and remarks. It lists twelve works under References.

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147. Director: Zoological Survey of India. Ed.

2019. *Fauna of Namdapha Tiger Reserve, Arunachal Pradesh. Conservation Area Series, 65.* Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–244, pll. I–IV (22 col., photographs, between pp. 82–83), pll. I (5 col., photographs, between pp. 138–139), Pl. I–IV (22 col., photographs between pp. 202–203), pll. I–II (12 col., photographs after p. 210), 1 map.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); Fauna of Namdapha Tiger Reserve—An overview (pp. 1–5, by J. K. De & Gopinathan Maheswaran); Mammals (pp. 7–21, by J. E. De); Birds (pp. 23–64, by Gopinathan Maheswaran); Amphibia (pp. 65–82, by K. P. Dinesh & C. Radhakrishnan); Fishes (pp. 83–113, by Laishram Kosygin); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 115–126, by K. G. Emiliyamma & C. Radhakrishnan); Insecta: Mantodea (pp. 127–138, by P. M. Sureshan); Insecta: Hemiptera: Pyrrhocoridae, Lydaeidae (pp. 139–142, by Pradip Chandra Saha & Mira, Bulganin); Insecta: Hemiptera: Pentatomoidea (pp. 143–153, by B. Biswas & Bulganin Mitra); Insecta: Hemiptera: Homoptera: Cicadidae, Fulgoridae, Nogodinidae, Cicadellidae (pp. 155–164, by Maya Ghosh & Bulganin Mitra); Insecta: Hymenoptera: Aculeata (pp. 165–202, by P. Girish Kumar & P. M. Sureshan); Insecta: Hymenoptera: Chalcidoidea (pp. 203–210, by P. M. Sureshan & P. Girish Kumar).

The chapter on Birds (pp. 23–64) lists 389 taxa for Arunachal Pradesh state, and Namdapha. It lists twenty-eight works under References. This chapter contains an introduction (pp. 23–27); Species accounts of 48 randomly selected species (pp. 28–49); and a table (pp. 53–64) entitled, Birds sighted in various protected areas of Arunachal Pradesh including Namdapha Tiger Reserve, which compares this checklist with three other published works.

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148. Doherty, Peter.

2013. *Their fate is our fate: How birds foretell threats to our health and our world.* New York, The Experiment.

Pbk. (14 x 21 cm, with illus. cover), 4 ll., pp. 1–248, 14 photos (monochrome).

Contents: Half-tit., advt., tit., imp., conts., half-tit. (pr. II.); text in 19 chapters (pp. 1–186); Notes (pp. 187–210); Latin binomials for common bird names (pp. 211–214); Abbreviations (pp. 215–216); Further reading and references (pp. 217–227); Acknowledgements (pp. 229–230); Index (pp. 231–245); Photo credits (p. 247); About the author (p. 248).

Chapter 8 (pp. 71–84), entitled 'Bird flu: from Hong Kong to Qinghai Lake and beyond' is relevant to South Asia, and the waterfowl that carry the virus. A short bibliography for further reading is on p. 221.

Chapter 15 (pp. 135–144), entitled 'Killing the vultures' deals with the collapse of vulture populations due to the effects of the painkiller, Diclofenac, given to cattle. A short bibliography for further reading is on pp. 224–225.

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149. **Donald, Paul F., Nigel J. Collar, Stuart J. Marsden & Deborah J. Pain.**

2010. *Facing extinction: the world's rarest birds and the race to save them*. 1st ed. London, T & AD Poyser.

Hbk. (19.0 x 25.0 cm, with illus. dust cover), pp. 1–312, 21 illustrations (monochromatic, by Jan Wilczur), 118 photographs (col., a few B&W, various photographers), innum. text-figs., maps.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); Tit. (p. 3, with illus.); imp. (p. 4); conts. (p. 5); acknowledgements (p. 6); pref. (pp. 7–8); The nature of rarity and the rarity of nature (pp. 9–19); The distribution and causes of rarity (pp. 20–93, texts on seven taxa); Rarity and extinction on islands (pp. 94–139, texts on four taxa); Saving the world's rarest birds (pp. 140–217, texts on six taxa); The lost and the found (pp. 218–262, texts on three taxa); Rarity and extinction in the future (pp. 263–276); References (pp. 277–301); Index (pp. 302–312).

South Asian taxa listed here include: Sociable Lapwing *Vanellus gregarius* (pp. 36–44), Spoon-billed Sandpiper *Eurynorhynchus pygmeus* (pp. 45–54), Bengal Florican *Houbaropsis bengalensis* (pp. 71–79), Asian vultures *Gyps bengalensis*, *G. tenuirostris*, *G. indicus* (pp. 173–183), Forest Owlet *Heteroglaux blewitti* (pp. 245–251).

Review: Simon Aspinall. 2010. *British Birds* 103 (12): 739–740.

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150. **Dubey, Prakash & Katie Dubey.**

2005. *Birds of India*. Limited collector's ed. Mumbai, India, Lavanya Publishers Pvt. Ltd.

Hbk. (24.5 x 24.5 cm, with illus. dust cover), pp. 1–264, 220 photographs (col., by author, several double-spreads).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); frontisp., and tit. (pp. 2–3); acknowledgements and imp. (p. 6); ded. (pp. 8–9); introd. (pp. 10–11, by Renuka Chowdhury); pref. (pp. 12–19, Prakash Dubey, 1.1.2005); fwd. (p. 21, Ratan N. Tata); Beautiful Indian birds (pp. 22–247); Important parks and sanctuaries of India (pp. 248–249); Bird details (pp. 250–264).

This coffee-table book of photographs has an extended essay at the beginning, which covers the following subsections: Across the Himalayas (Golden Eagle, Bearded Vulture, White Vulture, Himalayan Griffon, the Griffon Vulture, the crow family, the trans-Himalayas, western Himalayas, Wular Lake, Kulu Valley, Nanda Devi, northeast Himalayas, Arunachal Pradesh, Naga Hills, Manipur, Assam floodplains, Himalayan foothills, Corbett National Park, Dudhwa National Park, and Harike Lake); dusty Indian Desert (Keoladeo Ghana National Park, and Rann of Kutch); the eastern edge (Sunderbans, and Chilika Lake); down south; and islands in the ocean.

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151. **Dutt, Bahar.**

2014. *Green wars: Dispatches from a vanishing world*. New Delhi, HarperCollins Publishers India.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–xvi, 1–163, 1 portr. (back cover, author), 43 photographs (col., between pp. 32–33, and 96–97, various photographers).

Contents: Blurp (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); conts. (p. vii); map (pp. viii–ix); pref. (pp. xi–xvi, dated March 2014); Of charmers and hunters (pp. 1–17); The Sarus Crane cannot vote (pp. 18–24); Unicorns in dacoit country (pp. 25–33); Reporting from the wettest place on Planet Earth (pp. 34–44); The prime minister who did not care (pp. 45–58); Hooked on the Hoolock (pp. 59–78); An officer and the Hog Deer (pp. 79–85); The real 'avatar' story (pp. 86–104); An encounter with the mining mafia in Goa (pp. 105–118); The Orang-utan's last stand (pp. 119–131); Saving the Ganga and losing Chompsky (pp. 132–145); A journey to the roof of the world (pp. 146–159); Acknowledgements (pp. 161–163).

An empathetic TV reporter's environmental stories. Of relevance is the one on the Sarus Crane *Grus antigone* (pp. 18–24).

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152. **Dutta, Barid Baran & Rengasamy Sakthivel.**

2008. *Fauna of Andhra Pradesh. Aves*. State Fauna Series, 5. Calcutta, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (21 x 28 cm), 3 pr. II., pp. 1–365+1, 4 photos (col.), line-drawings 1–4, 1–118, maps (several), text-figs.

Contents: Tit., imp., conts. (2 pr. II.); Aves (pp. 1–68, by Barid Baran Dutta & Rengasamy Sakthivel); [Introd. (p. 1); Andhra Pradesh at a glance (pp. 1–2); Ornithological studies (p. 2); Other studies (p. 3); Special study (p. 3); Avifauna (p. 3); Important Bird Areas (IBAs) of Andhra Pradesh (pp. 4–5); Threatened birds of Andhra Pradesh (pp. 6–7); Major distribution in Andhra Pradesh (pp. 7–8); Threats and conservation (p. 8); Ornithological accounts (pp. 8–59); Quantitative and qualitative analysis of the avifauna of Andhra Pradesh (pp. 59–60); Type locality (pp. 60–64); Zoogeographical influence on the avifauna of Andhra Pradesh (pp. 64–65); Conclusion (pp. 66–67); Acknowledgements (sic) (p. 67); References (pp. 67–68)].

This work appears to be comprehensive, but is not, given that it lists just 28 references in its bibliography, purportedly containing the sum of ornithological literature on Andhra Pradesh. There are plenty of typos, and the elaboration of some concepts, like 'Zoogeographical influence,' (pp. 64–67), are found wanting, as is the 'Quantitative and qualitative analysis of the avifauna,' (pp. 59–64).

The 527 spp., and ssp., of birds listed are based on published literature. Lists twenty-eight references (pp. 67–68).

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152A. Eiseley, Loren. (1907–1977)

1979. *Darwin and the mysterious Mr. X: New light on the evolutionists*. New York, USA, E. P. Dutton.

Hbk. (14 x 21 cm; with illus., dust cover), pp. i–xiv, 1–278, illus., 1–14 (B&W; between pp. 94 and 95).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (pp. ii–iii; with ports.); imp. (p. iv); conts. (pp. v–vi); illus. (p. vii); Editor's pref. (pp. ix–xii, by Kenneth Heuer); quotation (p. 1); **Part I:** The dancers in the ring (pp. 3–93); illus. (6 ll.); **Part II:** The documentary evidence (pp. 95–165); **Part III:** The forgotten parent (pp. 167–183); **Part IV:** The evolution of man (pp. 185–234); Notes (pp. 237–264); Acknowledgements (pp. 265–267); Index (pp. 269–278).

The chapters under the four parts are: **Part I:** Charles Darwin (pp. 3–13); Alfred Russel Wallace (pp. 14–30); Charles Lyell (pp. 31–44); Charles Darwin, Edward Blyth, and the Theory of Natural Selection (pp. 45–80); Darwin, Coleridge, and the Theory of Unconscious Creation (pp. 81–93); **Part II:** The varieties of animals (pp. 97–111); Seasonal and other changes in birds (pp. 112–140); Psychological distinctions between man and other animals (pp. 141–165); **Part III:** Edward Blyth (pp. 169–183); **Part IV:** Neanderthal Man and the dawn of human paleontology (pp. 187–200); The intellectual antecedents of *The Descent of Man* (pp. 201–219); The time of man (pp. 220–236).

This posthumous work brings together several essays wherein Eiseley (1907–1977) reveals the pivotal role that Edward Blyth played in forging the basic tenets of the theory of natural selection much before Darwin, and that the latter was familiar with Blyth's idea, and made use of it in his theories. Yet, bemoans Eiseley, Darwin failed to acknowledge his obligation to Blyth. This work reads like a detective novel, but is established in scientific rigour and based upon Blyth's publications, besides other documentary evidence.

Edward Blyth (1810–1873) was the curator of the Royal Asiatic Society of Bengal from 1841 to 1862.

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153. EHA [=Aitken, Edward Hamilton].

[1901]. *The common birds of Bombay*. 1st ed. Bombay; Calcutta; Madras, Thacker & Co.; Thacker, Spink & Co.; Higginbotham & Co. 8vo (Hbk., navy blue cloth, 21.0 x 13.5 cm), pp. i–xiv, 1–195, half-tone text-figs. [Mengel]. Cover with tit, in gold reverse embossing, with 'EHA' in bottom right corner.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); advt. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii, inscribed by author); imp. (p. iv); pref. (p. v); conts. (pp. vii–viii); Index of English names (pp. ix–xi); Index to scientific names as given by Jerdon (pp. xiii–xiv); Introductory (pp. 1–8); First Order: Raptores: Or birds of prey (pp. 9–34); Second Order: Insessores: Or perching birds (pp. 35–147); Third Order: Gemitores: Or Moaners (pp. 148–154); Fourth Order: Rasores: Or Scrapers (pp. 155–160); Fifth Order: Grallatores: Stalkers (pp. 161–183); Sixth Order: Natatores: Or swimmers (pp. 184–195).

"...in chapters I–XXXII, the first introductory, the rest more or less corresponding with the orders of birds and containing popular, pleasantly written accounts based mostly on personal observations. "A compilation of articles first published in The Times of India. I have been unable to determine the date of publication of this edition. A 'third edition,' retitled 'The common birds of India,' and edited by Salim Ali with a biographical sketch of the author by W.T. Loke, is dated 1947 (Thacker & Co., Bombay; or Thurber & Co., same; cf. *Ibis* 1948: 79–80). From this we learn that the book was first published some time, probably shortly, before the prolific author's return to Scotland in 1906, following a lifetime of work in India (copy with Thacker imp., seen Amer. Mus. Nat. Hist. Library)." [Mengel].

Endpapers have a delicate floral pattern.

My copy is inscribed by the author on the Half-tit., page, 'A happy voyage home | E. H. Aitken | 19th March. 1901'. This must surely be the closest one can get to the publication date of this work.

For dating issues, see Pittie, A., 2011. *Indian BIRDS* 7 (4): 120–122.

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154. EHA [=Aitken, Edward Hamilton].

[1903] *The common birds of Bombay*. 1st ed., 2nd impression. Bombay; Calcutta; Madras, Thacker & Co.; Thacker, Spink & Co.; Higginbotham & Co.

8vo (21.0 x 13.5 cm), pp. i–xiv, 1–195, half-tone text-figs. [Mengel]. Cover with tit., and illus., of a drongo with an insect in its beak (in black).

Contents: See previous entry.

My copy is inscribed, 'Rex from Maude', and is dated '30th August 1903' on the front fly leaf. This must surely be the closest

one can get to the publication date of this work.

See Pittie, A., 2011. *Indian BIRDS* 7 (4): 120–122.

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155. **EHA [=Aitken, Edward Hamilton].**

[1903?] *The common birds of Bombay*. 2nd ed. Bombay, Thacker & Co. Ltd.

8vo (21.0 x 13.5 cm), pp. i–xiv, 1–195, half-tone text-figs. [Mengel]. Cover with tit., and illus., of a Magpie Robin in bottom right corner (in black).

May have been published post 1903. See earlier entries for details. '2nd Edition' printed on title page.

See Pittie, A., 2011. *Indian BIRDS* 7 (4): 120–122.

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156. **Elsen, Paul R.**

2015. *Bird abundance, distribution, and richness patterns in Great Himalayan National Park, Himachal Pradesh, India—with appendices of accounts for all bird species recorded and an updated checklist: A report to the Himachal Pradesh Forestry Department*.

PDF, pp. 1–92, 4 photographs (col.), tables, text-figures.

Contents: Tit. (p. 1); Abstract (p. 2); Background (pp. 3–4); Methods (pp. 4–10); Results (pp. 10–17); Discussion (pp. 17–23); Acknowledgements (p. 24); References (pp. 25–26); Appendix. Species accounts (pp. 27–92).

This work presents the following information for each of the 233 species encountered: general altitudinal range, breeding season, distribution plots (except for the rarer species). Twenty-four works are listed under references.

'A central goal of ecology and biogeography is to understand the distribution patterns of species over various spatial scales. A host of biotic and abiotic factors simultaneously impose constraints on species distributions that give rise to the widespread patterns of global diversity. Species physiological tolerances are affected by climate regimes, range limits are regulated by species interactions, and niche specialization results in a narrow set of resources a given species can utilize.

'We aimed to assess how these roles act and interact to constrain bird distributions along an elevational gradient in the Himalayas, as well as to determine the impact of habitat alteration on Himalayan bird communities during winter. We conducted bird surveys using mist-netting and line transect methods along three altitudinal transects in Great Himalayan National Park (GHNP), Himachal Pradesh, India, as well as nine additional transects in the surrounding ecozone. Coupled with bird surveys, we quantified habitat characteristics and deployed data loggers fitted with temperature sensors to correlate the presence of birds with habitat and climate suitability.

'This report outlines the general findings from the bird and habitat surveys, which documented bird distribution, abundance, and richness patterns, as well as distribution patterns of habitat types and key tree species. Over the duration of the study, we documented 233 bird species, 28 of which were unrecorded on previous surveys of the region. We failed to detect 28 species that were recorded during previous surveys. We recorded five of seven western Himalayan endemics, including Western Tragopan (*Tragopan melanocephalus*), Cheer Pheasant (*Catreus wallichii*), White-throated Tit (*Aegithalos niveogularis*), West Himalayan Bush Warbler (*Bradypterus thoracicus*), and Spectacled Finch (*Callacanthus burtoni*). Within the elevation range surveyed in GHNP, bird abundance and richness peaked at roughly 2800 m asl during breeding and 2500 m asl during winter, respectively, though both patterns varied slightly by slope. Bird abundance and richness peaks corresponded to the transition between lower coniferous and upper temperate forest' (p. 2).

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157. **Erritzøe, Johannes, Clive F. Mann, Frederik P. Brammer & Richard A. Fuller.**

2012. *Cuckoos of the world*. 1st ed. London, Christopher Helm.

Hbk. (16.5 x 24 cm, with illus. dust cover by Jan Wilczur), pp. 1–544, pll. 1–36 (col., by various), 386 photographs (col., various photographers), innum. 145 maps (col., range).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); conts. (pp. 5–8); acknowledgements (pp. 9–10); introd. (pp. 11–21); Layout of the book (pp. 22–23); Glossary (pp. 24–25); Abbreviations (pp. 26–27); Plates (pp. 28–99); Species accounts (pp. 101–481); Appendix: English and scientific names of birds other than cuckoos mentioned in the text, generally following Dickinson (2003) (pp. 482–490); Bibliography (pp. 491–536); Index (pp. 537–544).

The pll., are by: Richard Allen, Jan Wilczur, Martin Woodcock, and Tim Worfolk.

This is a definitive reference on cuckoos (Cuculidae). The introd. (pp. 11–21) covers systematics, morphology, moult, vocalisations, behaviour and feeding, breeding, habitat, movements, and conservation. Pll., are on the recto, and related text is on the opposing verso, and is cross-referenced to the range maps and text pages. Species accounts contain a range map, taxonomy, field identification, voice, description, biometrics, moult, distribution, habitat, behaviour, breeding, food, and status and conservation.

See also: Inskipp, T.P., Collar, N.J., Pilgrim, J.D., & Mahood, S.P., 2013. *BirdingASIA* 20: 53–63.

Reviews: Frank Lambert. 2012. *BirdingASIA* 18: 12–13; Guy M. Kirwan. 2012. *British Birds* 105 (10): 630–631; Stokke. 2013. *Ibis* 155: 437.

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158. Evenhuis, Neal L.
 1997a. *Litteratura-Taxonomica-Dipterorum (1758–1930): Being a selected list of the books and prints of Diptera taxonomy from the beginning of Linnaean Zoological Nomenclature to the end of the year 1930; containing information on the biographies, bibliographies, types, collections, and patronymic genera of the authors listed in this work; including detailed information on publication dates, original and subsequent editions, and other ancillary data concerning the publications listed herein. A–K*. 1st. Leiden, Netherlands, Backhuys Publishers. Vol. I of 2 vols.
 Hbk. (17 x 24 cm; issued without dust-cover), pp. i–x, 1–426, innum., portrs., and signatures (B&W).
Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); pref. (p. vii); Table of conts. (p. ix); introd. (pp. 1–2); Scope (pp. 3–6); Notes on what constitutes publication in the I.C.Z.N. Code (p. 7); Bibliographic conventions and glossary (pp. 9–12); Format (pp. 13–16); List of abbreviations used (p. 17); Sources consulted for bibliographic data and dating (pp. 19–25); Sources consulted for biographies (p. 27); Selected annotated list of journals and works consulted for dating (pp. 29–36); Sources consulted for types and collections (pp. 37–40); Acknowledgments (pp. 41–42); The taxonomic literature (pp. 43–426).
 Though this milestone bibliography purports to cover taxonomic Dipterology, it contains innumerable entries on works that are relevant to South Asian ornithology as well.
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159. Evenhuis, Neal L.
 1997b. *Litteratura-Taxonomica-Dipterorum (1758–1930): Being a selected list of the books and prints of Diptera taxonomy from the beginning of Linnaean Zoological Nomenclature to the end of the year 1930; containing information on the biographies, bibliographies, types, collections, and patronymic genera of the authors listed in this work; including detailed information on publication dates, original and subsequent editions, and other ancillary data concerning the publications listed herein. L–Z*. 1st. Leiden, Netherlands, Backhuys Publishers. Vol. II of 2 vols.
 Hbk. (17 x 24 cm; issued without dust-cover), pp. i–iv, 427–871, innum., portrs., and signatures (B&W).
Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); The taxonomic literature (pp. 427–842); Indexes: Cross-index to authors (pp. 845–852); Cross-index to works (by shortened title) (pp. 853–867); Portrait and signature credits (pp. 869–871).
 See previous entry.
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160. Evenhuis, Neal L.
 2008. *Preliminary catalog of dating sources for zoological works. Bishop Museum Technical Report No. 47*. 1st ed. Hawaii, Bishop Museum.
 PDF. Pp. i–iv, 1–176.
Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); introd. (p. 1); Format (pp. 1–2); Brief list of major sources (pp. 2–3); Caveat (p. 4); acknowledgements (p. 4); Dating sources for books (pp. 5–160); Dating sources for serials (pp. 161–172).
 This is an important modern source for dating zoological books, and serial journals.
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161. Evenhuis, Neal L.
 2011. *Catalog of dating sources for zoological works. Bishop Museum Technical Report No. 56*. 2nd ed. Hawaii, Bishop Museum.
 PDF. Pp. i–iv, 1–234.
Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); introd. (p. 1); Format (p. 2); Brief list of major sources (pp. 2–4); Caveat (p. 4); acknowledgements (p. 5); Dating sources for books (pp. 7–202); Dating sources for serials (pp. 203–234).
 This is an important modern source for dating zoological books, and serial journals.
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162. Evenhuis, Neal L.
 2015. *Catalog of dating sources for zoological works. Bishop Museum Technical Report No. 64*. 3rd. Hawaii, Bishop Museum.
 PDF. Pp. i–ii, 1–260.
Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); introd. (pp. 1–2); Format (p. 2); Brief list of major sources (pp. 3–5); Caveat (p. 5); acknowledgements (p. 5); Dating sources for books (pp. 7–221); Dating sources for serials (pp. 223–260).
 This is an important modern source for dating zoological books, and serial journals. This third edition 'includes almost 200 new entries of books and serials that have had dating information published. It differs from previous editions by including all new, updated, and corrected information in red' (p. 2).
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163. Evenhuis, Neal L.
 2020. *Catalog of dating sources for zoological works. Bishop Museum Technical Report No. 71*. 4th completely revised and augmented. Hawaii, Bishop Museum.

Size ?. Pp. i–iv, 1–369.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); introd. (pp. 1–2); Format (p. 2); Brief list of major sources (pp. 2–5); Caveat (p. 5); acknowledgements (p. 6); Dating sources for books (pp. 7–325); Dating sources for serials (pp. 327–369).

This is an important modern source for dating zoological books, and serial journals. 'This fourth edition is completely revised and includes unabbreviated titles for all entries and journals as well as initials for all authors' names ... A total of 2,837 books are listed and 401 journals. The number of additional works added here since the last edition has increased the total 25%' (p. 2).

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163A. Eyton, Thomas Campbell.

1856. *A catalogue of the species of birds in his possession*. Wellington, Salop, Australia, R. Hobson, Shropshire News Office. PDF. Pp. 1–373.

Contents: Tit. (p. 1); [pref.] (p. 3); Aves (pp. 5–367); List of typical species in the above collection (pp. 369–370); Index (pp. 371–372); Errata and additions (p. 373).

'The following Catalogue has been printed chiefly to save the trouble of writing out repeated lists of birds, and also to inform my ornithological friends what species are in my collection. The specific name adopted is generally the oldest, and the authority is given immediately after the name ; but the authority after specific has no reference to generic names. I have also, as far as I have been able to verify them, inserted a reference to a coloured plate or lithograph. The numbers refer to those attached to the birds in the collection.' (p. 3)

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164. Finn, Frank.

1906. *How to know the Indian waders*. 1st ed. Calcutta, Thacker, Spink & Co.

Pbk. (12 x 18 cm, illus. cover), 4 pr. ll., i–viii, 1–223.

Contents: Advt., tit., imp. (pr. ll.); ded. (p. i); Pref. (p. iii, dated 1906, by; F. Finn); Pref. to the first edition (p. viii, dated 1916 [sic], by; F. Finn); Table of conts. (pp. v–vii); Part I. The Perching waders: Introduction (pp. 1–4); text (pp. 5–64); Part II. Non-perching waders (pp. 65–212); Appendices: Appendix I. Synoptical table of the Indian perching waders (pp. 213–217); Appendix II. Synoptical table of the Indian non-perching waders (pp. 218–223).

For more details see: Pittie (2010: 277–278).

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164A Fjeldså, Jon, Les Christidis & Per G. P. Ericson. Eds.

2020. *The largest avian radiation: The evolution of perching birds, or the Order Passeriformes*. Barcelona, Spain, Lynx Edicions.

Hbk. (24 x 31 cm, with illus., cover; issued without dust-cover); pp. 1–445, innum., maps, illustrations, text-figs., and tables (all in col.).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); tit. (p. 3); frontisp. (p. 4); conts. (p. 5); map (p. 6); pref. (p. 7); Acknowledgements (p. 9); introd. (pp. 11–13, by Jon Fjeldså, Per G. P. Ericson, and Les Christidis); Glossary (pp. 15–18); **Section 1. Background**: The origin (pp. 19–26, by Per G. P. Ericson & Jon Fjeldså); What is special about passerine birds? (pp. 27–34, by Jon Fjeldså, Petter Zahl Marki & Per G. P. Ericson); The troubled route to an understanding of the relationships among passerine birds (pp. 35–38, by Jon Fjeldså & Per G. P. Ericson); Research methods used for interpreting passerine evolution (pp. 39–44, by Jérôme Fuchs, Alice Cibois, Knud A. Jønsson & Jon Fjeldså); **Section 2. Classification and families of passerine birds**: An updated classification of passerine birds (pp. 45–63, by Jon Fjeldså, Les Christidis, Per G. P. Ericson, Martin Stervander, Jan I. Ohlson & Per Alström); The suboscine passerines (pp. 65–114, by Les Christidis, Per G. P. Ericson, Jon Fjeldså, Martin Irestedt & Jan I. Ohlson); Suborder Passeri: The basal oscine families (pp. 115–130, by Jon Fjeldså); Cohort corvids: The crow-like passerines (pp. 131–168, by Knud A. Jønsson, Les Christidis, Alice Cibois, Jérôme Fuchs, Martin Irestedt, Jonathan D. Kennedy & Jon Fjeldså); Infraorder Passerides and the 'higher' songbirds (pp. 169–183, by Les Christidis, Petter Zahl Marki & Jon Fjeldså); Superfamily Paroidea: The tits and their allies (pp. 185–190, by Ulf S. Johansson); Superfamily Sylvioidea: The Old World warblers and their allies (pp. 191–236, by Jon Fjeldså, Per Alström, Urban Olsson, Alice Cibois & Ulf S. Johansson); Superfamily Certhioidea: Creepers and wrens (pp. 237–244, by Alice Cibois); Superfamily Muscicapoidae: Mockingbirds, starlings, chats, Old World flycatchers, thrushes, and allies (pp. 245–261, by Jon Fjeldså, Per Alström & Urban Olsson); Superfamily Passeroidea (pp. 263–318, by Rauri C. K. Bowie & Jon Fjeldså); **Section 3. Thematic chapters**: The worldwide variation in biodiversity: Some central questions and concepts (pp. 319–325, by Carsten Rahbek, Jon Fjeldså & Michael Krabbe Borregaard); How new species evolve (pp. 327–337, by Jon Fjeldså, Per Alström & Rauri C. K. Bowie); Global variation in species diversity (pp. 339–345, by Michael Krabbe Borregaard, Jon Fjeldså & Carsten Rahbek); How species diversity accumulated over time (pp. 347–362, by Jon Fjeldså, Knud A. Jønsson, Jonathan D. Kennedy, Petter Zahl Marki & Michael Le Pepke); Conservation implications (pp. 363–368, by Jon Fjeldså & Peter Seggaard Jørgensen); Synthesis (pp. 369–374, by Jon Fjeldså, Michael Krabbe Borregaard, Jonathan D. Kennedy

& Carsten Rahbek); **Appendix 1:** A short earth history: How the earth changed during the era of passerine birds (pp. 375–386, by Jon Fjeldså); **Appendix 2:** An updated chronology of passerine birds (pp. 387–396, by Martin Stervander, Jon Fjeldså, Les Christidis, Per G. P. Ericson, Jan I. Ohlson & Per Alström); **References** (pp. 397–432); **Index** (pp. 433–445).

'This book reveals the remarkable new history of how passerines diversified and dispersed across the world. It also presents and explains the new classification, which reflects the phylogenetic history. The new insights reveal that many of the old evolutionary lineages comprise only a few species that remained in their area of origin or underwent limited dispersal. Only a small number of groups underwent significant proliferation of new species and just five (of 147) passerine families are represented on all continents but Antarctica. Even so, the global variation in species richness generally correlates well with the variation in productivity across different environments. We see how a seemingly constant overall rate of evolution of new species is possible because of rapid proliferation in new ecological niches and an extraordinary accumulation of endemic species in certain tropical mountain ranges.'

'The authors also try to identify adaptational changes, including shifts in life history strategies, that underlie major evolutionary expansions to further the development of a unified theory of how the prodigious variation of Earth's biodiversity is generated.'

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Review: Perrins, Christopher. *Ibis* 163 (4): 1509–1510.

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165. **Fleming, Robert L., Jr.**

1977. *Comments on the Endemic Birds of Sri Lanka*. 1st ed. Colombo, Ceylon Bird Club & The Wildlife and Nature Protection Society.

Pbk. (14.7 x 22.0, with illus. cover [line drawing by; N.T. Ariyaratne]), 1 pr.l., pp. 1–13.

Contents: Conts. (Inside front cover); tit., Foreword (pr.l., by; Thilo W. Hoffmann); text (pp. 1–13).

Brief notes on the endemic birds (21 spp.) of Sri Lanka, made during a brief stay in January–February 1977.

My copy inscribed by Lester Perera, 8/7/2020.

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166. **Fletcher, Harold Roy. (1907–1978)**

1975. *A quest for flowers: The plant explorations of Frank Ludlow and George Sherriff told from their diaries and other occasional writings*. 1st. Edinburgh, Edinburgh University Press.

Hbk. 8vo., pp. i–xxix, 1–387+3, 6 pll. (col.), frontisp. (col.), illus. 1–106 (b&w.), 2 portrs. (B&W), maps 1–20.

Contents: Sketch map of Eastern Himalaya (endpapers); half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); frontisp.; conts. (p. v); Acknowledgments (p. vi); List of plates (pp. vii–ix); Historical introduction (pp. xi–xxix, by Sir George Taylor); 1933: To the pass of the flowers, N. E. Bhutan (pp. 1–42); 1934: Frustrations and triumphs, Tibet and E. Bhutan (pp. 43–76); 1936: To Tsari, a Tibetan sanctuary (pp. 77–128); 1937: To the Black Mountain of Central Bhutan (pp. 129–156); 1938: Within the drainage of the Tsangpo, S. E. Tibet (pp. 157–226); 1942–5: Lhasa, the war years (pp. 227–246, by Betty Sherriff); 1946–7: The gorges of the Tsangpo, S. E. Tibet (pp. 247–306); 1949: Temperate and alpine Bhutan (pp. 307–364); Notes (pp. 365–368); Botanical index (pp. 369–375); General index (pp. 376–387).

This is a biography of two botanists, Frank Ludlow (1885–1972) and George Sherriff (1898–1967), and their travels in the Himalaya of Bhutan and south-eastern Tibet. It is peppered with information about the birds of those regions.

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167. **Forshaw, Joseph Michael.**

2009. *Trogons: a natural history of the Trogonidae*. 1st ed. Barcelona, Spain, Lynx Edicions.

Hbk. (28 x 40 cm, with illus. dust jacket), pp. 1–292, 77 pll. (col., including one fold down by Albert Earl Gilbert), 18 line-drawings (by Albert Earl Gilbert), 39 maps.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); frontisp., and tit. (pp. 2–3, illus.); ded. (p. 5, with illus.); imp. (p. 6); conts. (pp. 7–8); Foreword (pp. 9–10, by Nigel Collar, 1 May 2008); Pref. (pp. 11–15); acknowledgements (pp. 17–18, by Joseph M. Forshaw, 1 June 2008, and Albert Earl Gilbert, 30 September 2008); introd. (pp. 19–35); Species accounts (pp. 37–277); References cited (pp. 279–287); Index of scientific names (pp. 288–290); Index of English names (pp. 291–292).

This is a definitive monograph on the trogons of the world. The pref. (pp. 11–15) informs about the plan of the text, English names, distribution, description, subspecies, habitats and status, movements, habits, calls, feeding, breeding, eggs, and illustrations. The introduction (pp. 19–35) includes discussions on relationships of the Trogons, phylogenetic relationships among the Trogons, physical features of Trogons, distribution and habitats, movements, general habits, vocalizations, food and feeding, breeding, and status and conservation. The species accounts contain information on English, and scientific names, distribution with map, description, subspecies, habitats and status, movements, habits, calls, feeding, breeding, and eggs.

Review: Guy M. Kirwan. 2009. *British Birds* 102 (9): 517.

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168. **Forshaw, Joseph Michael.**

2010. *Parrots of the world*. 1st ed. London, Christopher Helm.

Pbk. (15 x 23 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–328, pll. 1–146 (col., by Frank Knight), text-figs. 1–3, maps (innum.)

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); Conts. (p. 5); List of color plates (pp. 6–7); Pref. (pp. 8–9, by Joseph M. Forshaw, 1 November 2009); Plan of the book (pp. 10–14); Introd. (pp. 15–20); Parrots in the Australasian distribution (pll. 1–62; pp. 22–145); Parrots in the Afro-Asian distribution (pll. 63–76; pp. 146–173); Parrots in the Neotropical distribution (pll. 77–144; pp. 174–309); Extinct or presumed extinct parrots (pll. 145–146; pp. 310–313); Index of English names (pp. 314–319); Index of scientific names (pp. 320–328).

This is the first book on parrots 'designed primarily for use in the field,' (p. 8). It covers 356 species of parrots.

The introduction (pp. 15–20) covers vocalization, habitats, habits, and status and conservation. Plates are on recto, with sexes and juvenile plumages marked, as well as dorsal and ventral flight views for identification. The corresponding text is on the facing verso.

Review: Keith Betton. 2011. *British Birds* 104 (4): 226–227.

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169. Futehally, Zafar (1920–2013), Shanthi Chandola & Ashish Chandola.

2014. *The song of the Magpie Robin: A memoir.* New Delhi, India, Rupa Publications India Pvt. Ltd.

Hbk. (14 X 21.5 cm, with illus. dust jacket, by Carl D'Silva), pp. i–xxvii, 1–197, 27 photographs (col., and B&W, between pp. 36–37, and 100–101).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); portr. (p. v, B&W, Zafar Futehally by Loke Wan Tho); imp. (p. vi); ded. (p. vii); conts. (p. ix); Foreword (pp. xi–xiii, by George B. Schaller); introd. (pp. xv–xxvi, by Shanthi and Ashish Chandola, 11 November 2013); Author's note (p. xxvii); Part one: Personal memories (pp. 1–49); Part two: Pioneering conservation in India (pp. 51–164); Afterword (pp. 165–168, by Zai Whitaker); Appendices: Appendix I: Delhi Declaration (pp. 169–172); Appendix II: Conservation in a world of rising expectations (pp. 173–185); Appendix III (p. 186); Appendix IV (p. 187); Appendix V (p. 188); Appendix VI (p. 189); Appendix VII (p. 190); acknowledgements (p. 191); Notes (pp. 192–197).

A short autobiography of Zafar Futehally, assisted by Shanthi Chandola and Ashish Chandola. Futehally was in the forefront of the conservation movement in India. He edited *Newsletter for Birdwatchers* for nearly four decades (pp. 84–100).

Reviews: Cara Tejpal. 2015. *Sanctuary Asia* 35 (1): 88.

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170. Ganbold, Dorjkhagvajantsan & Chris Smith.

2019. *A field guide to the birds of Mongolia.* UK, John Beaufoy Publishing Ltd.

Pbk. (15 x 21 cm, with illus., covers), pp. 1–304, pll. 1–132+44, 6 line drawings, 12 photographs (colour), 178 maps.

Contents: Pictorial index (inside front cover, p. 1); Frontispiece & Title (pp. 2–3); imp. (p. 4); Conts. (pp. 5–6); Acknowledgements (p. 7); Introd. (pp. 8–10); Habitats (pp. 11–16); How to use this book (pp. 17–21); The birds of Mongolia (pp. 22–287); Vagrants (pp. 288–296); References (p. 297; lists seven works); Index (pp. 298–304); Important birding areas of Mongolia (inside back cover).

A 'comprehensive field guide for the country, including descriptions and illustrations for all the officially recorded 512 Mongolian species. Colour illustrations are given for each species, as well as most subspecies, races and colour morphs occurring specifically in Mongolia ... common alternative names have been provided. Distribution maps are based on the *Checklist of Birds of Mongolia 2017*, compiled from the findings of the most experienced birders and scientists for this region. The maps indicate when and where birds are present in Mongolia,' (pp. 8–9).

The key facts for each species include status, habitat, voice and identifying features separating sexes and ages in all plumages, focusing on distinctive features separating similar species (back cover blurb).

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171. Gandhi, Tara.

2015. *Birds, wild animals and agriculture: Conflict and coexistence in India.* Hyderabad, India, Universities Press (India) Private Limited.

Pbk. (16 x 24 cm, with illus., cover), pp. i–viii, 1–216, innum., photographs (col., and B&W, by various photographers), several maps.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); ded., and imp. (p. ii); pref. (pp. iii–vi, including 'about this book', and 'acknowledgements'); conts. (pp. vii–viii); **Part I:** Aspects of human-wildlife conflict and coexistence (pp. 1–2): The relationship between birds, wild animals and agriculture in India (pp. 3–18); Causes of conflict (pp. 19–32); The effect of agriculture-wildlife conflict on farming families (pp. 33–35); Threats to wildlife in the agricultural landscape (pp. 36–38); Resolving wildlife-agriculture conflict and promoting coexistence (pp. 39–47); Building capacity and raising awareness (pp. 48–52); Policies and strategies to prevent conflict (pp. 53–58); Overview of crop-protection methods commonly used in India (pp. 59–75); blank (p. 76); **Part II:** Birds and agriculture (pp. 77–78): Many dimensions of the bird-agriculture relationship (pp. 79–87); Farmer's friends—birds that are beneficial to agriculture (pp. 88–99); Threats to birds beneficial in agriculture and conservation issues (pp. 100–104); Crop damage by birds

(pp. 105–112); Protecting crops from bird damage (pp. 113–120); Conserving and encouraging birds beneficial in agriculture (pp. 121–129); blank (p. 130); **Part III:** Common wild animal crop depredators (pp. 131–132); Monkeys (pp. 133–139); Ungulates (pp. 140–160); Asian Elephant (pp. 161–168); Indian Crested Porcupine (pp. 169–173); blank (p. 174); **Part IV:** Case studies (p. 175): Bird case studies (pp. 176–189); Bird + animal case studies (pp. 190–193); Animal case studies (pp. 194–201); Bibliography (pp. 202–208); Appendix (pp. 209–211); Index (pp. 213–216).

The work 'aims to promote improved human-wildlife equations by examining the complexities of the problems concerning conflict and looking at examples of harmonious co-habitation, with a view to exploring options for addressing the former and drawing models from the latter. By setting out the ground realities and listing the causes of conflict, the process of reconciling people's perspectives and the needs of wildlife could be facilitated' (p. iv).

The bibliography (pp. 202–208) lists ninety-two works.

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171A Gandhi, Tara. Ed.

2021. *Sálím Ali: Words for birds. The collected radio broadcasts*. Delhi, India, Black Kite, Ashoka University, & Hachette India.

Hbk. (13.5 x 21.5 cm, with gilt title on spine, and illus., dust cover), pp. i–xi, 1–244, 1 portr. (col., back flap of dust cover), 10 photographs (B&W).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); conts. (pp. v–vi); Acknowledgements (pp. vii–viii); Chronology of Sálím Ali's broadcasts (pp. ix–xi); introd. (pp. 1–9); Part I: Watching birds: Bird watching (1942) (pp. 13–18); Further experiences in bird watching (pp. 19–23); Chand hairat angez parandon aur janwaron ke ghar—chand bare aur chhote ghonsla bananewale (1946) (pp. 24–28); Some amazing homes of birds and animals (1946; translation of 3a) (pp. 29–33); Bird watching (1952) (pp. 34–39); Birding in Sikkim (1953) (pp. 40–45); The birds of Sikkim (1953) (pp. 46–51); Bird life of the Chilka Lake (1955) (pp. 52–58); Watching birds (1985) (pp. 59–63); Part II: Seasons for birds: Birds: The international wayfairers (1941) (pp. 67–73); Birds in August (1942) (pp. 74–79); Birds in September (1942) (pp. 80–86); Birds in October (1942) (pp. 87–94); The monsoon comes: Bird life (1946) (pp. 95–98); The alien migrants (1957) (pp. 99–105); Birds in summer (1963) (pp. 106–110); The migration of birds (1980) (pp. 111–116); Part III: Learning about birds: Birds: A national asset (1941) (pp. 119–125); Bird study in India (1947) (pp. 126–130); Courtship and display among birds (1947) (pp. 131–136); How I became interested in birds (1950) (pp. 137–142); Answering questions about birds (1951) (pp. 143–148); Interview with Dr Bernhard Rensch (1953) (pp. 149–153); Trends in modern bird study (1955) (pp. 154–160); Talking as an ornithologist (1969) (pp. 161–164); The usefulness of birds to animals and man (1967) (pp. 165–169); The role of birds in agriculture and forestry (1973) (pp. 170–175); Part IV: Birds at risk: The preservation of wild birds (1955) (pp. 179–184); The "Bird Wing" in bird preservation in India (1956) (pp. 185–189); The vanishing species (1957) (pp. 190–195); The flamingo (1957) (pp. 196–201); Some endangered waterbirds of Assam (1964) (pp. 202–206); Part V: Nature in India: The fauna of India (1952) (pp. 209–213); Wildlife preservation in Kashmir (1952) (pp. 214–219); Some interesting animals of Sikkim (1953) (pp. 220–229); Man and nature in India: The ecological balance (1976) (pp. 230–234); Index (pp. 235–244).

This compilation comprises 35 radio talks that Sálím Ali broadcast on All India Radio between 1941 and 1985; each talk limited to, approximately, fourteen minutes. They are transcribed from scans of manuscript copies in the archives of the Bombay Natural History Society. This book is a valuable addition to the enormous body of Dr Ali's ornithological work.

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172. Ganpule, Prasad.

2016. *The birds of Gujarat: Status and distribution. Flamingo* vol. 8 (3) to vol. 12 (4) interim issue.

Pbk. (21.5 x 28 cm), pp. 1–40.

Contents: Recent additions in the bird check-list of Gujarat (col., inside front cover; 6 col., photographs by various photographers); imp., advt., editorial (by Bakul Trivedi) (p. 1); introd., with reference to the birds listed below, with reference to pelagic birds, and taxonomy (p. 2); Abbreviations and details (pp. 2–3); Bird species with annotations (pp. 3–36); Acknowledgements (p. 36); References (pp. 36–40); Recent additions in the bird check-list of Gujarat (inside back cover; 6 photographs, various photographers).

This important annotated checklist contains 574 taxa, and a further 25 taxa are listed as hypothetical / unverified or incorrectly listed.

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173. Ganpule, Prasad.

2020. *A checklist of the birds of Gujarat*. Ahmedabad, India, Bird Conservation Society, Gujarat.

Pbk. (24 x 18.5, with illus., cover), pp. i–vi, 1–56, 65 photographs (col., by various photographers), 3 portrs. (2 B&W, 1 col.), 1 map.

Contents: Map: Important bird and biodiversity areas in Gujarat (p. ii, inside front cover); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v, with two portrs., of Dr Bhavbhuti Parasharya); Message (p. vi, by V. C. Soni); Foreword (p. 1, by Bakul Trivedi); introd. (pp. 2–8); Gujarat Checklist (pp. 9–41); Appendix 1 (pp. 41–42); Endemic species of India listed in the Gujarat Checklist (p. 43); List of species from Gujarat in CITES appendices (pp. 43–45); Important bird and biodiversity areas in Gujarat (pp. 45–46);

Convention on Migratory Species (pp. 47–50); Index (pp. 51–52); Gujarati index (p. 53); Notes (pp. 54–55, ruled blank pages); Advt. (p. 56); about the author (inside back cover).

This updated checklist of the birds of Gujarat takes up from the following earlier publications: Parasharya et al. (2004; see Pittie 2010: 572–573), and Ganpule (2017³, 2020⁴). It lists 609 taxa from the state, recorded up to 30 September 2020.

The checklist is presented in a landscape-view tabular format and presents the following details: Family name, serial number, common name, scientific name, authority (author of the specific name), Gujarati name, IUCN status, status under the schedules of The Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, status (in Gujarat), and alternate English name. The introd., provides details of differences in taxonomic names, and English names, from the India Checklist by Praveen et al. (2019, v3.0, published online on 05 May 2019) (pp. 3–5). Taxa recorded in the state prior to its formation (01 May 1960), but not afterwards, are listed as 'historical'.

Further tables (pp. 43–50) segregate taxa under various categories as detailed above.

Photographs are listed under the following categories: Critically endangered species (p. 14, 6 taxa), endangered species (p. 14, 10 taxa), vulnerable species (p. 21, 19 taxa), historical species (p. 30, 14 taxa), and interesting sightings within the last few years (p. 37, 16 taxa).

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174. Gent, Chris.

2007. *Birds of Bangaram*. Kerala, India, CGHearth.

Pbk. (15 x 21 cm, with illus., cover), pp. 1–63, pll. 1–7 (col., by Harish Viswakarma); 68 photographs (col., by Charlotte de la Bedoyere, Chris Gent, and Sumer Verma), 1 portr. (author).

Contents: The author (inside front cover); half-tit. (p. 1; inscribed); [Acknowledgements] (p. 2); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); conts. (p. 5); introd. (pp. 6–7); The island (pp. 8–11); Habitats—beaches (pp. 12–19); Habitats—lake (pp. 20–31); Habitats—dry land (pp. 32–37); Habitats—reefs and outer islands (pp. 38–43); Habitats—underwater (pp. 44–45); A short description of the commoner birds of Bangaram (pp. 46–59); Full bird list (pp. 60–63).

The checklist includes 141 spp., recorded from Bangaram and surrounding waters up to the end of 2006 (p. 60).

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175. Ghose, R. K. Ed.

1995. *Fauna of Kanha Tiger Reserve Madhya Pradesh*. Conservation Area Series, 7. Kolkata, India, Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18 x 24 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–vi, 1–117, 3 col. pll., 2 maps.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); Imprint (p. ii); Foreword (p. iii, by Dr. A. K. Ghosh, Director, ZSI, dated March, 1995, Calcutta); Conts. (p. v); Kanha Tiger Reserve: An overview (pp. 1–8, by R. K. Ghose); Insecta: Isoptera (pp. 9–14, by O. B. Chhotani); Insecta: Lepidoptera (pp. 15–17, by R. K. Singh); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 19–25, by S. K. Tandon, M. S. Shishodia & Anita Dey); Arachnida: Spiders (pp. 27–30, by U. A. Gajbe); Crustacea: Ostracoda (pp. 31–32, by D. K. Harshey); Mollusca (pp. 33–39, by H. P. Agrawal); Pisces (pp. 41–45, by T. K. Sen); Amphibia (pp. 47–49, by S. K. Chanda); Reptilia (pp. 51–62, by D. P. Sanyal & S. Sur); Aves (pp. 63–91, by D. K. Ghosal); Mammalia (pp. 93–117, by R. K. Ghose & T. P. Bhattacharya).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 63–91) contains an annotated list of 231 spp., including five purportedly reported here for the first time; and a bibliography with sixteen references.

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176. Ghosh, A. K. Ed.

1992. *Fauna of West Bengal. Part 1. [Overview, Mammalia, Aves & Wild Life]*. State Fauna Series, 3. Calcutta, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18.5 x 24.5 cm), 3 pr. ll., pp. 1–443.

Contents: Tit., imp., foreword (by Dr. S. K. Bhattacharya, dat. 31st July, 1992), conts. (pr. ll.); The State of West Bengal: an over view (pp. 1–26, by A. K. Ghosh); Mammalia (pp. 27–169, by V. C. Agrawal, P. K. Das, S. Chakraborty, R. K. Ghose, A. K. Mandal, T. K. Chakraborty, A. K. Poddar, J. P. Lal, T. P. Bhattacharyya, and M. K. Ghosh); Aves (pp. 171–418, by N. Majumdar, C. S. Roy, D. K. Ghosal, J. M. Dasgupta, S. Basuroy & B. K. Datta); Wildlife and its conservation in West Bengal (pp. 419–443, by S. S. Saha, S. Chattopadhyay, R. P. Mukherjee, and J. R. B. Alfred).

The book-length chapter on birds (pp. 171–418) contains a brief history of collections and collectors in West Bengal, a checklist of birds, and a systematic account. The last provides, for each taxon, details of taxonomy, common name, material examined (from contemporary collections), diagnostic characters, measurements, distribution, and remarks. It is a detailed account of the birds of West Bengal. At its end, seventy-two references are listed.

In 'Faunal wealth of West Bengal: an index' (p. 26), the number of species of birds is given as "219"; it should be 539.

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177. Ghosh, A. K. Ed.

1995. *Fauna of Indravati Tiger Reserve, Madhya Pradesh*. Fauna of Conservation Areas, 6. Calcutta, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

³ Ganpule, P., 2017. First update to the Gujarat checklist: December 2017. *Flamingo* 15 (4): 17–20.

⁴ Ganpule, P., 2020. Second update to the Gujarat checklist: March 2020. *Flamingo Gujarat* 18 (2&3): 11–20.

Pbk. (18 x 24 cm, with illus. cover), pp. [i–vi], 1–107, pll. I–IV (with 8 col. photographs), 2 maps.

Contents: Tit. [p. i]; Imp. [p. ii]; Foreword [p. iii, by Dr. A. K. Ghosh, Director, ZSI, dated March, 1995, Calcutta]; Conts. [p. v]; Indravati Tiger Reserve: An overview (pp. 1–10, by R. K. Ghose); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 11–17, by M. S. Shishodia); Insecta: Hemiptera (pp. 19–29, by B. Biswas & L. K. Ghosh); (pp. 31–44, by Tridib Ranjan Mitra); (pp. 45–52, by M. Chaudhury); Arachnida: Spiders (pp. 53–56, by U. A. Gajbe); Crustacea: Ostracoda (pp. 57–59, by D. K. Harshy); Pisces (pp. 61–70, by T. K. Sen); Amphibia (pp. 71–75, by S. K. Chanda); Reptilia (pp. 77–83, by D. P. Sanyal); Aves (pp. 85–91, by S. S. Saha); Mammalia (pp. 93–107, by R. K. Ghose).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 85–91) lists 92 spp., and cites five references.

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178. Ghosh, S., Sipra Basu Roy, Bitan Kumar Datta & A. K. Sett. Eds.

2008. *Fauna of Madhya Pradesh (including Chhattisgarh) (Part 2). Aves.* State Fauna Series, 15. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Hbk. (20.5 x 27.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. [i–iv], 1–152, pll. I–XIX (col., with 208 photographs), 18 photos (col.), 2 maps (col.), tables, text-figs.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); introd. (pp. 1–2); Physiography of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh (p. 3); Floristic (p. 3); Table 1. Habitat-wise distribution of the birds of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh (p. 4); Terms and abbreviations used (p. 4); Systematic account (pp. 5–79); Table 2. Systematic list with status, habit and habitat (pp. 80–146); Summary (p. 147); Acknowledgements (p. 147); References (pp. 147–152); plates.

The authors list 449 taxa, including the Tibetan Rubythroat *Luscinia pectoralis tschebaiewi*, which is reported as a first for Chhattisgarh (p. 59). Eighty-nine references are listed at the end.

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179. Ghosh, Suchitra.

2010. *Urban biodiversity of Kolkata: Flowering plants, butterflies, birds and mammals.* Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 327. Kolkata, India, Zoological Survey of India.

PDF, pp. i–iv, 1–250, 53 plates (col., photos), 1 map.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (pp. iii–iv); introd. (pp. 1–2); Historical background (pp. 2–3); Material and method used (pp. 3–5); Site description (pp. 5–12); Observations (pp. 12–28); General discussion (p. 28); Appendix IA: List of flowering (sic) plants recorded during urban biodiversity study in and around Calcutta from 2002–2005 (pp. 29–57); Appendix IB: List of indigenous flowering (sic) plants recorded during urban biodiversity study in and around Calcutta from 2002–2005 (pp. 58–77); Appendix IC: List of exotic flowering (sic) plants recorded during urban biodiversity study in and around Calcutta from 2002–2005 (pp. 78–88); Appendix II: Family-wise and site-wise list of flowering plants recorded during urban biodiversity study in and around Calcutta from 2002–2005 (pp. 89–141); Appendix III: General list of butterflies recorded from Calcutta (2002–2005) (pp. 142–145); Appendix IV: Seasonal occurrence of butterflies during three years of study (pp. 146–149); Appendix IV: Birds of urban Calcutta seen during last three year: 2002–2003–2004–2005 (pp. 150–159); Appendix VI: Birds observed during urban biodiversity study in and around Calcutta for three years (pp. 160–207); Appendix VII: List of birds recorded from Calcutta and its environs between 1964 and 1999 documented from past literature (pp. 208–220); Appendix VII: Mammals recorded during study through field observations and poster surveys (p. 221); Summary (p. 222); Acknowledgements (p. 222); References (pp. 222–226); col. photos.

The composite list of birds (pp. 208–220) comprises 284 taxa.

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180. Gmelin, Johann Friedrich. Ed. (1748–1804)

1788–1793. *Caroli a Linné, systema naturae per regna tria naturae, secundum classes, ordines, genera, species, cum characteribus, differentiis, synonymis, locis. Editio decimal tertia, aucta, reformata.* Leipzig, G. E. Beer.

8vo., pp. i–x, 1–4120.

Contents: Vol. I: Pars I. [x] + 232 pp. (25 July 1788); Pars II. Pp. 233–1032 (20 April 1789); Pars III. Pp. 1033–1516 (30 November 1789); Pars IV. Pp. 1517–2224 (21 May 1790); Pars V. Pp. 2225–3020. (06 December 1790); Pars VI. Pp. 3021–3910. (14 May 1791); Pars VII. Pp. 3911–4120 (02 July 1792); Vol. II: Pars I. Pp. i–xl, 1–884 (27 November 1791); Pars II. Pp. 885–1661 (07 October 1792); Vol. III: Pp. 1–476, 3 pll. (25 July 1793).

Aves: Vol. I Pars II. Pp. 233–1032 (20 April 1789).

See Pittie 2010: 637–638.

For dating see: Evenhuis (1997a: 309–311); Dickinson et al. 2011. *Priority!* (pp. 93–94.);

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181. Gooddie, Chris.

2010. *The jewel hunter.* 1st ed. Hampshire, WildGuides.

Pbk. (15 x 23 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–344, 26 photos (col., between pp. 96–97), 28 photos (col., between pp. 160–161), 27 photos (col., between pp. 208–209), 25 photos (col., between pp. 288–289), 32 photographs (col., gathered

at the end), several maps.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1, inscribed by author); ded. (p. 3); tit. (p. 5); imp. (p. 6); conts. (p. 7); Glossary (pp. 8–11); map (p. 12); Quitting the day job. High Wycombe, UK (pp. 13–19); The storm before the calm. Southern Thailand (pp. 20–38); Dry country blues. Central, northern Thailand (pp. 39–56); Missing in action. Luzon, The Philippines (pp. 57–70); Jeepneys and jeopardy. Mindanao, The Philippines (pp. 71–87); The swimming pool trail. Southern Vietnam (pp. 88–102); One cup of tea? Northeast India (pp. 103–122); Rusty's return. Peninsular Malaysia (pp. 123–146); The *Toktor* will see you now. Southwest Sumatra (pp. 147–168); The eight colour bird. Taiwan (pp. 169–188); Who's the daddy? Sabah, Borneo (pp. 189–207); The famous five. Sabah, Borneo (pp. 208–227); The heart of darkness. Southwest Uganda (pp. 228–248); Mad dogs and Englishman. Halmahera, Sulawesi, Peleng (pp. 249–277); The mysterious Mr. Klau. Bali, Sumba, West Tinor, Flores (pp. 278–292); Billabongs and bowers. Northern Australia (pp. 293–303); Strange days. Manus (pp. 304–312); Adrift in time. The Solomon Islands (pp. 313–323); A rare bird indeed. Sri Lanka (pp. 324–329); And the first shall be last. Zambia (pp. 330–340); Acknowledgements (pp. 341–344); The treasure chest (16 pp.).

In this autobiography, Gooddie writes about his obsession with Pittas (Pittidae), and the year he resolved to see all the species found in the world.

Reviews: Tony Sawbridge. 2010. *BirdingASIA* 14: 11; Adrian Pitches. 2010. *British Birds* 103 (12): 736.

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181A Gopi, Govindan Veeraswami & Syed Ainul Hussain. Eds.

2014. **Waterbirds of India.** ENVIS Bulletin: Wildlife & Protected Areas. Vol. 16. Dehradun, India, Wildlife Institute of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. 1–368, innum., photos (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); Advt. (p. 3); conts. (pp. 4–5); photo (p. 6); Director's note (p. 7, by V. B. Mathur); photo (p. 8); Foreword (p. 9, by Asad R. Rahmani); Waterbirds of India: An introduction (pp. 10–23, by Govindan Veraswami Gopi, Sumit Arya & Syed Ainul Hussain); Waterbird research and conservation in India: An overview (pp. 24–29, by K. S. Gopi Sundar); **Section I: Research & monitoring:** Long-term research and monitoring of Painted Stork nesting colonies: Two case studies from north India (pp. 32–43, by Abdul Jamil Urfi); Long term population trends of waterbirds in Kerala (1987–2014) (pp. 44–69, by Nameer P. O., Praveen J., George Tom, B. Sreekumar, C. Sashikumar); Ecological inferences from studying Black-necked Stork in Dudhwa Tiger Reserve, Uttar Pradesh, India (pp. 70–79, by Gopinathan Maheswaran); Nesting ecology of Asian Openbill at Raiganj Wildlife Sanctuary, West Bengal (pp. 80–85, by Tanmay Datta); Ecological and conservation inferences from monitoring a mixed-species waterbird breeding colony in Bhitarkanika Conservation Area, India (pp. 86–99, by Gopi G. V. & Bivash Pandav); Population dynamics of waterbirds in Pichavaram Mangroves, Tamilnadu, southern India (pp. 100–111, by R. Nagarajan & K. Thiayagesan); Long-term monitoring of heronries in north Kerala, India: A synthesis (pp. 112–121, by C. Sashikumar & R. Roshnath); Effect of nesting tree height characteristics on the nesting behaviour of colonial waterbirds in Vedanthangal Bird Sanctuary, Tamil Nadu (pp. 122–131, by C. Venkatraman & R. Nagarajan); Evolution of coloniality in waterbirds: Perspectives and advances (pp. 132–139, by Joli Borah & Gopi G. V.); Waterbirds of selected wetlands of Uttarakhand (pp. 140–159, by Dinesh Bhatt, Vinaya Kumar Sethi, Santosh Sharma, Amit Kumar, Vikas Saini & Ashutosh Singh); Long term monitoring of Indian Skimmer in National Chambal Sanctuary (pp. 160–165, by R. K. Sharma); A checklist of waterbirds of Tadoba-Andhari Tiger Reserve (TATR), Maharashtra, India (pp. 166–173, by Nilanjan Chatterjee, Bilal Habib, Madhura Davate, Anil Dashahre, Parag Nigam, Mukul Trivedi, G. P. Garad & Vinay K. Sinha); **Section II: Conservation & Management:** Conservation and status of threatened waterbirds in north-east India (pp. 176–185, by Anwaruddin Choudhury); Hirakud wetlands, Odisha: A little-known refuge and potential IBA for wintering waterfowl (pp. 186–201, by Manoj V. Nair); Conservation of endangered Greater Adjutant Stork in Assam, India (pp. 202–209, by Purnima Devi Barman & D. K. Sharma); Conservation outside Protected Areas: A case study of Sarus Crane conservation involving communities in Kota, Rajasthan (pp. 210–217, by Jatinder Kaur, Anil Kumar Nair & B. C. Choudhury); Conservation of heronries in the districts of Tirunelveli and Thoothukudi, southern Tamil Nadu (pp. 218–225, by T. Ganesh, K. Abhisheka & M. B. Prashanth); Overview of inland waterbird habitats in Gujarat and suggestions for their effective management (pp. 226–237, by Ketan Tatu); Black-necked Crane conservation through regional cooperation amongst India, China and Bhutan (pp. 238–247, by Pankaj Chandran, Afifulah Khan & Anupam Anand); Ecological and conservation perspectives of riverine birds of the Upper Ganges, Uttarakhand (pp. 248–257, by Ankita S., Adhikari B. S. & Ramesh K.); Migratory waterbirds of Himachal Pradesh: Status and conservation (pp. 258–267, by Anil Kumar); Comparative trend of heronry formation in Keoladeo National Park, Bharatpur (Rajasthan) (pp. 268–273, by Bhumes Singh Bhadouria, Vinod B. Mathur & Khyati Mathur); Population status of waterbirds in human-impacted urban wetland of Gangetic Plain: A study from Okhla Bird Sanctuary, National Capital Region of Delhi (pp. 274–283, by Upma Manral, Gopi G. V., Dhananjai Mohan, Gautam Talukdar & Syed Ainul Hussain); Status of waterbirds in East Godavari River Estuarine Ecosystem (EGREE), Andhra Pradesh, India (pp. 284–293, by P. Sathiyaselvam & S. S. Sreedhar); **Section III: Application of modern tools in studying water birds:** An overview of avian influenza in waterbirds (pp. 296–305, by Lakshminarasimha R. & Parag Nigam); Telemetry studies with special reference to Bar-headed Goose: A review (pp. 306–313, by Neeraj Mahar, Bilal Habib, Gopi G. V., S. A. Hussain, Intesar Suhail & Jigmet Takpa); Wetland birds—indicators of pesticide contamination current and future prospects for research in India (pp. 314–323, by S. Muralidharan, K. Ganesan, K. Nambirajan, V. Kirubhanandhini & V. Dhananjayan); **Section IV: Key contacts in waterbird conservation in India:** Key contacts related to waterbird conservation in India (pp. 324–327, by Ridhima Solanki & Gopi G. V.); **Section V: Bibliography:** Selected bibliography on waterbirds in India (pp. 328–353, by Sunita Agarwal, Shashi Uniyal & Madan Uniyal); Author index (pp. 354–363); Publication year index (pp. 364–367).

The comprehensive bibliography lists 806 references.

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182. Gorman, Gerard.

2014. *Woodpeckers of the world: The complete guide*. 1st ed. London, Christopher Helm.

Hbk. (17 x 24 cm, with illus. cover), pp. [1–11], 12–528, 750+ photos (col., by various photographers), 239 maps (col.)
Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); Conts. (pp. 5–11); Acknowledgements (p. 12); Introd. (p. 13); Taxonomy (p. 14); Distribution (p. 15); Anatomy and morphology (pp. 16–17); Habitat (p. 18); Behaviour (pp. 19–20); Breeding (pp. 20–22); Plumage and moult (pp. 22–23); Food and foraging (pp. 24–27); Flight (p. 27); Calls (p. 28); Drumming (pp. 28–29); The importance of woodpeckers (pp. 30–32); Notes on the species accounts (p. 33); Species accounts (pp. 35–509); Bibliography (pp. 510–518); Photographic credits (pp. 519–520); Index (pp. 521–528).

Besides one or more colour photographs, and a colour range map, the species accounts give brief details on identification, vocalisations, drumming, status, habitat, range, taxonomy and variation, similar species, and food and foraging.

The extensive bibliography comprises post-2002 literature.

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183. Gosney, Dave.

2010. *Finding birds in North Goa: exactly where to go to see the best birds*. 1st ed. Sheffield, UK, Easybirder.

Pbk. (14.5 x 21 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–36, 18 maps.

Contents: Map (inside front cover); Finding birds in North Goa (pp. 1–2); Baga/Arpora area (pp. 3–5); Baga hill (pp. 6–7); Arpora woods (pp. 8–9); South of Calangute–Salgao and Pilerne (pp. 10–11); Morjim beach and Siolim rice fields (pp. 12–13); Dona Paula (pp. 14–15); Santa Cruz (pp. 16–17); Batim lake (pp. 18–19); Chorao and Divar islands (pp. 20–21); Mayem (or Maem) lake (pp. 22–23); Carambolim lake and wood (pp. 24–25); Zuari river trip (pp. 26–27); Backwoods area–Bhagwan Mahaveer National Park (pp. 28–29); Backwoods camp (pp. 30–31); Tamdi Surla (pp. 32–33); Bondla (pp. 34–36).

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184. Gould, John. (1804–1881)

1830–1833. *A century of birds from the Himalaya mountains*. London, Published by the author.

Imperial folio, 6 pr. ll., 72 ll., 80 pll. (col.; by Elizabeth Gould). [Zimmer]

See Pittie (2010: 314–316).

The letterpress was printed in 1833, and a complete volume of plates and letterpress issued in that year.

Review: D.W. Mitchell. 1841. *The Westminster Review* 35 (2): 271–303.

For dating see: G. C. Sauer. 1982; I.A.W. McAllan & M.D. Bruce. 2002. *Zoologische Verhandelingen, Leiden* 340: 161–178; Dickinson et al. 2011. *Priority!* (pp. 94–95.); Evenhuis (2020: 134).

185. Gould, John.

1849–1883. *The Birds of Asia*. London, Published by the author. 7 vols.

See Pittie (2010: 318–319).

Part I appeared 'before 5 December 1849', Sauer (1985: 67).

For dating see: Dickinson et al. 2011. *Priority!* ... (p. 100).

185A. Goyal, Somesh.

2021. *Himachal birds: A visual treat*. Shimla, India, Indiaclicked.com.

Hbk. (27.5 x 27.5 cm, with dust cover), pp. 1–200, 211 photos (col., various photographers), 1 portr. (col., author).

Contents: Tit. (p. 1); portr., & thanks (p. 2); Author speak (p. 3, by Somesh Goyal); imp. (p. 4); Foreword (p. 5, Cdr. Kanwar B. Singh, New Delhi, 16 January 2021); [Himachal birds] (pp. 6–189); Important bird areas of Himachal Pradesh (IBA) (p. 190); Checklist of birds of Himachal Pradesh (pp. 190–199); Advt. (p. 200).

This is a large format coffee-table book of full-page photographs of birds found in Himachal Pradesh.

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186. Greer, Kirsten A.

2020. *Red coats and wild birds: How military ornithologists and migrant birds shaped Europe*. USA, The University of North Carolina Press.

Pbk. (15.5 x 23.5, with illus., cover), pp. i–xiv, 1–170, figs. 1–13 (by various artists), maps 1–5.

Contents: half-tit. (p. i); advt. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); conts. (p. vii); figs., and maps (p. ix); acknowledgements (pp. xi–xiv); introd. (pp. 1–9); Red coats and wild birds across the British Empire (pp. 10–22); Thomas Wright Blakiston: Crimean scientific war hero (pp. 23–40); Andrew Leith Adams: Mediterranean semitropicality (pp. 41–62); Leonard Howard Lloyd Irby: British military ornithology on the "Rock" (pp. 63–80); Philip Savile Grey Reid: Red coats and wild birds on the home front (pp. 81–96); Military ornithology in place: Territoriality, situation knowledges, and heterogeneities (pp. 97–103); Afterword: Avian colonial afterlives (pp. 104–107); Notes (pp. 109–139); Bibliography (pp. 141–166); Index (pp. 167–174).

This is a unique work that juxtaposes nineteenth century British expansionism and colonial empire with the 'transnational encounters between military men and birds [that] shaped military strategy, ideas about race and masculinity, and conceptions of the British Empire.' (Quote from the back cover blurb.)

Chapter 3 (pp. 41–62) concerns itself with the work of A. L. Adams, the author of *Wanderings of a naturalist in India: The western Himalaya and Cashmere* (1867; see Pittie 2010: 27–28).

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187. Grewal, Bikram & Garima Bhatia.

2014. *A naturalist's guide to the birds of India, Pakistan, Nepal, Bhutan and Sri Lanka*. United Kingdom, John Beaufoy Publishing.

Pbk. (13 x 18 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–176, 419 photos (col., various photographers), 1 map (col.).

Contents: Map (front inside cover); tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); conts. (p. 3); introd. (p. 4); Oriental and subregions (pp. 4–6); Habitat (p. 6); Adaptation (pp. 6–7); Habits - feeding and breeding (p.p. 8–9); Migration (p. 9); Classification (pp. 9–10); Bird topography (p. 10); Glossary (p. 11); Species accounts and photographs (pp. 12–151); Checklist of the birds of the Indian Subcontinent (pp. 152–171); Further reading (p. 172); Acknowledgements (p. 172); Index (pp. 173–176); silhouettes (back inside cover).

Covers 280 common spp., seen in India, Pakistan, Nepal, Bhutan and Sri Lanka, with 100 additional spp., in descriptions. Each sp., account includes identifying features, distribution, habits and habitat, with photographs.

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188. Grewal, Bikram & Savio Fonseca.

[2015]. *Birds of Goa*. Goa, India, Bird Institute of Goa.

Pbk. (15 x 22.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–232, 480+ photos (col., various photographers), 8 maps.

Contents: Tit. (p. 1); imp., frontisp., and conts. (pp. 2–3); map (p. 4); foreword (p. 5, by Nikhil Desai); introd. (pp. 6–11); Descriptive parts of the bird (p. 12); Where to watch birds (pp. 13–17); Descriptive text (pp. 18–217); Checklist (pp. 218–223); Glossary (pp. 224–226); Index (pp. 227–231); Acknowledgements (p. 232).

A photographic guide to the birds of the state of Goa, India, covering 403 spp. Species accounts contain notes on description, status, food, voice, and habitat.

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189. Grewal, Bikram & Bittu Sahgal. Eds.

2006. *The Bharatpur inheritance*. Mumbai, India, Sanctuary Asia.

Hbk. (29.5 x 24 cm, with illus. dust cover), pp. 1–160, innum. photographs (col., various photographers).

Contents: Endpapers (front and back, illus.); frontisp. and tit. (p. 1); imp. and ded. (pp. 2–3, illus.); photo (pp. 4–5); photo (p. 6); Foreword: Bharatpur—avian paradise (p. 7, by Zafr Futehally, January 1, 2006); photo (p. 8); pref. (p. 9, editors); conts. (p. 11); The Bharatpur inheritance: Protecting a people's legacy (pp. 12–15, by Bittu Sahgal & Bikram Grewal); Wings of destiny: Bharatpur's wetland wealth (pp. 18–27, by Bittu Sahgal); Back to the future: The history and culture of Bharatpur (pp. 28–37, by Shivani Shah); Dr. Sálím Moizuddin Abdul Ali: The grand old bird man of India (pp. 38–41, by Bittu Sahgal); Waterworld: Understanding Bharatpur's marsh ecology (pp. 42–57, by V. S. Vijayan & Lalita Vijayan); In praise of plants: A kaleidoscope of colours (pp. 58–65, by Lakshmy Raman); A Bharatpur transition: The swamps through rain and shine (pp. 66–67, by Belinda Wright & Stanley Breeden); Seasons in the sun: A birding calendar (pp. 68–91, by Bikram Grewal); The saga of the Sibes: The Siberian Cranes in Bharatpur (pp. 92–99, by George Archibald); Creatures great and small: Bharatpur's lesser-known animals (pp. 100–111, by Bidisha Basu); Down memory lane: A Bharatpur aficionado remembers (pp. 112–117, by Peter Jackson); The keeper of the swamps: Speaks his truth (pp. 118–123, by Bholu Abrar Khan); The wilderness trail: Welcoming visitors, sending back supporters (pp. 124–135, by Lakshmy Raman); The bird ambassador: Profile of a rickshaw-puller (pp. 136–141, by Bidisha Basu); Securing the future: Protecting the Bharatpur inheritance (pp. 142–147, by Anon.); Voices from the past: Memories of a lifetime (pp. 148–149); A Bharatpur checklist: Birds, mammals, fish (pp. 150–154); Faces behind the book: Photographers and writers (p. 155); Acknowledgements (p. 156, by Bikram Grewal & Bittu Sahgal); Glossary & Photo credits (p. 157); Bibliography/References (p. 158); Index (pp. 159–160).

This coffee-table work 'is a photographic tribute to this wild haven and to the stalwarts, past and present, whose lives were spent defending and studying its diversity. The book showcases some of the finest images ever taken in this exquisite and fragile Rajasthan forest and these are supplemented with texts by the most respected and accomplished bird experts, researchers and writers,' (front flap of dust cover).

A checklist of Bharatpur birds (pp. 150–153) contains nine line-drawings.

Review: Asad R. Rahmani. 2007. *Hornbill* 2006 (Jul–Sep): 16.

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190. Grewal, Bikram, Sumit Sen, Sarwandeep Singh, Nikhil Devasar & Garima Bhatia.

2016. *A pictorial field guide to the birds of India, Pakistan, Nepal, Bhutan, Sri Lanka and Bangladesh*. 1st ed. New Delhi, India, Om Books International.

Pbk. (14.5 x 21 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–791, 4,000+ photographs (col., various photographers), 4 maps (col.), innum. maps.

Contents: Tit. (p. 1, illus.); imp. (p. 2); conts. (p. 3, illus.); Introduction: Birds of the Indian Subcontinent—an overview (pp. 4–13, by Carol & Tim Inskipp); Descriptive texts (pp. 14–711); Vagrants and doubtful species (pp. 712–723); Acknowledgements (pp. 724–726); Bibliography (pp. 727–731); Descriptive parts of a bird (p. 732); A glossary of ornithological terms (pp. 733–735); Checklist: Birds of the Indian Subcontinent (pp. 736–772); Index (pp. 773–788); Maps (pp. 789–791).

This massive photographic guide has over 4,000 colour photographs of birds, and is perhaps the largest such collection for the Indian Subcontinent within the covers of a single book. The introd., by Carol and Tim Inskipp, is a summary of the updated status of this region's ornithology. The descriptive texts contain, besides one or more photographs, information on size, voice, distribution range, and habitat; a range map is included (but what the colour washes denote is not mentioned in the work), and the brief notes inform about identification features and behaviour.

Seventy-nine species are listed under vagrants and doubtful species (pp. 712–723). The authors acknowledge 334 photographers for their contributions, and the bibliography lists 201 works.

The work ends with two checklists. The first is 'Checklist: Birds of the Indian Subcontinent—as per classification and nomenclature in Pamela C. Rasmussen & John C. Anderton's *Birds of South Asia: The Ripley Guide* 2nd Edition 2012' (pp. 736–748). The second is 'Checklist: Birds of Indian Subcontinent' (pp. 749–772), which provides the common English name, scientific name, status, and IUCN Red List status.

The work lacks maps of Bangladesh, and Pakistan.

Review: Praveen J., 2016. *Indian BIRDS* 12 (1): 24–26.

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191. Grewal, Bikram, Sumit Sen, Sarwandeep Singh, Nikhil Devasar & Garima Bhatia.

2017. *A photographic field guide to the birds of India, Pakistan, Nepal, Bhutan, Sri Lanka, and Bangladesh*. 2nd ed. New Jersey, USA, Princeton University Press.

Pbk. (14.5 x 21 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–792, 4,000+ photographs (col., various photographers), 4 maps (col.), innum. maps.

Contents: Tit. (p. 1, illus.); imp. (p. 2); conts. (p. 3, illus.); Introduction: Birds of the Indian Subcontinent—an overview (pp. 4–13, by Carol & Tim Inskipp); Descriptive texts (pp. 14–711); Vagrants and doubtful species (pp. 712–723); Acknowledgements (pp. 724–726); Bibliography (pp. 727–731); Descriptive parts of a bird (p. 732); A glossary of ornithological terms (pp. 733–735); Checklist: Birds of the Indian Subcontinent (pp. 736–772); Index (pp. 773–788); Maps (pp. 789–792).

For general notes see the previous entry. Authors have added a note about the colour washes on distribution maps (p. 13). They acknowledge 338 photographers for their contributions.

The work ends with two checklists. The first is 'Checklist: Birds of the Indian Subcontinent—as per classification and nomenclature in Pamela C. Rasmussen & John C. Anderton's *Birds of South Asia: The Ripley Guide* 2nd Edition 2012' (pp. 736–748). The second is 'Checklist: Birds of India' (pp. 749–772), which is based on: Praveen J., Jayapal, R., & Pittie, A., 2016. A checklist of the birds of India. *Indian BIRDS* 11 (5&6): 113–172A). In three columns, it provides the English name, scientific name, and alternative name(s).

In this edition, the Indian map is a double-page spread, and, as in the 1st ed., the work lacks maps of Bangladesh, and Pakistan.

This 2nd ed., has also incorporated suggestions from Praveen's (2016) review of the 1st ed., in *Indian BIRDS* 12 (1): 24–26.

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192. Grewal, Bikram, Sumit Sen, Sarwandeep Singh, Nikhil Devasar & Garima Bhatia.

2017. *A photographic field guide to the birds of Nepal*. 1st ed. New Delhi, India, Om Books International.

Pbk. (14.5 x 21 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–354, 2,000+ photographs (col., various photographers), 1 map (col.), innum. range maps.

Contents: Tit. (p. 1, illus.); imp. (p. 2); conts. (p. 3, illus.); map (pp. 4–5); Introduction (pp. 6–13); Descriptive texts (pp. 14–509); Acknowledgements (pp. 510–512); Bibliography (p. 513); Descriptive parts of a bird (p. 514); A glossary of ornithological terms (pp. 515–517); Checklist: Birds of Nepal (pp. 519–536); Index (pp. 537–546).

This massive photographic guide has over 2,000 colour photographs of birds, and is perhaps the largest such collection for Nepal, within the covers of a single book. The introd., lists the following regions for bird diversity: The outer terai, the inner terai, the mid-mountain range, and the high Himalayas. It also lists the following places to see birds: Chitwan National Park, Parsa Wildlife Reserve, Valmiki National Park, Royal Bardia National Park, Banke National Park, Royal Shukhlaphanta Wildlife Reserve, Kosi Tappu Wildlife Reserve, Annapurna Conservation Area, Langtang National Park, Sagarmatha National Park, Dhorpatan Hunting Reserve, Phulchowki, The Makalu Barun National Park and Conservation Area, Rara National Park, and the Kanchenjunga Conservation Area. The descriptive texts devote, mostly, half a page to each species and contain, besides one or more photographs, information on size, voice, distribution range, and habitat; a range map is included, and the brief notes inform with identification features and behaviour.

The authors acknowledge 335 photographers for their contributions, and the bibliography lists 44 works.

The work ends with, 'Checklist: Birds of Nepal' (pp. 519–536), and is based on Praveen J., Jayapal, R., & Pittie, A., 2016. A checklist of the birds of India. *Indian BIRDS* 11 (5&6): 113–172A). In an apparent oversight, the introd., of this list, which is India specific, has been printed here, specifying the number of taxa for India, instead of Nepal. In three columns, it provides the English name, Scientific name, and Alternative name(s). Though this list, which contains 902 taxa, appears to have been edited to comprise Nepal's birds, a cursory perusal showed up some that are clearly not found in Nepal, e.g., *Ocyrceros griseus* (p. 525), *Psittacula columboides* (p. 526), and *Dicaeum concolor* (p. 528).

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193. Grewal, Bikram, Sumit Sen & Ramki Sreenivasan.

2012. *Birds of Nagaland*. The Directorate of Tourism, Nagaland.

Pbk., (15.5 x 22.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–200, 360+ photos (col., several double-spread; various photographers), 1 map.

Contents: Tit. (p. 1); Acknowledgements (p. 2); Conts. (p. 3); photo (pp. 4–5); map (pp. 6–7); Introd. (pp. 8–9); How to use this book (pp. 10–12); Descriptive parts of a bird (p. 13); photo (pp. 14–15); Descriptive text (pp. 16–183); Checklist (pp. 184–190); Glossary (pp. 191–193); Index of common names (pp. 194–197); Index of scientific names (pp. 197–199).

The descriptive text provides half a page for each taxa, and includes, besides a photograph, information on English and scientific names, size, description, behaviour, food, voice, habitat, distribution, and status. The checklist contains 503 taxa.

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194. Grewal, Bikram & Bhanu Singh.

2020. *The 100 best birdwatching sites in India*. Oxford, England, John Beaufoy Publishing.

Pbk. (15 x 21 cm, with illus., dust cover), pp. 1–304, maps (several), 635 photos (col.).

Contents: Wildlife Parks of India (col., map, front inside cover); title (p. 1; with a list of 69 contributing photographers); imp. (p. 2); conts. (p. 3); Introduction (p. 4); India's climate (pp. 5–6); India's geography (pp. 7–9); Bird habitats (pp. 10–12); Threats to birds (pp. 13–14); Glossary of terms (p. 15); Andaman & Nicobar Islands (pp. 16–25); Andhra Pradesh (pp. 26–39); Arunachal Pradesh (pp. 40–55); Assam (pp. 56–71); Goa (pp. 72–83); Gujarat (pp. 84–99); Himachal Pradesh (pp. 100–109); Jammu & Kashmir (pp. 110–119); Karnataka (pp. 120–133); Kerala (pp. 134–143); Lakshadweep (pp. 144–147); Delhi and NCR (pp. 148–153); Madhya Pradesh (pp. 154–163); Maharashtra (pp. 164–175); Manipur (pp. 176–179); Mizoram (pp. 180–183); Meghalaya (pp. 184–187); Nagaland (pp. 188–195); Odisha (pp. 196–205); Punjab (pp. 206–210); Sikkim (pp. 222–231); Tamil Nadu (pp. 232–241); Uttar Pradesh (pp. 242–249); Uttarakhand (pp. 250–259); West Bengal (pp. 260–271); Recommended reading & acknowledgements (p. 272); Conservation & birdwatching organizations (p. 273); Checklist of birds of India (pp. 274–290); Index (pp. 291–304); The Indian Subcontinent (col., map, back inside cover).

The details for each state include: Climate, access, transportation & logistics, health & safety, birdwatching highlights, key birds (in a box), and an outline map marked with the authors' choice of the birdwatching sites.

The details included for each birdwatching site include: map, key facts (nearest major towns, habitats, key species, other specialities, and best time to visit), birdwatching sites, access & accommodation, and conservation.

The checklist of birds of India (pp. 274–290) is from Praveen et al. 2016. *Indian BIRDS* 11: 113–170. But authors state that, 'For consistency in names, the nomenclature and taxonomy recommended by the International Ornithological Union's checklist has been adopted' (p. 4), about which no further information is available in the work.

The Index (pp. 291–304) comprises an alphabetical list of English bird names along with their scientific binomens, and page numbers on which their photos appear. It does not list any of the sites (birding locations) mentioned in the work.

Review: Sale, Richard. 2020. *Ibis* 163 (2): 743.

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195. Grimmett, Richard, Carol Inskipp & Tim Inskipp.

2009. *Birds of Nepal*. 2nd ed. New Delhi, Prakash Book Depot.

Pbk. (13.5 x 21.5cm, illus. covers by: John Cox), pp. 1–288, frontisp. (col. by: Daniel Cole), pll. 1–110 [col. by: Clive Byers (81–87, 97, 100–110), Daniel Cole (1–4, 20–22, 27, 58 (part), 75), John Cox (23–25), Gerald Driessens (19, 79), Carl D'Silva (9–18, 26, 50–62, 80, 98–99), Martin Elliott (34–35), Kim Franklin (38 (part), 39), Alan Harris (36, 38 (part), 40 (part)–42, 47–48, 64–74), Peter Hayman (28–33), Craig Robson (76–78, 88–96), Jan Wilczur (5–8, 49), Tim Worfolk (37, 40 (part), 43–46), 7 photographs (col. by: Carol & Tim Inskipp), 3 line drawings, 1 map.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. [p. 3, illus. (bis. back cover)]; imp. (p. 4); Conts. (p. 5); frontisp. (p. 6); Introduction [pp. 7–21 (How to use this book; Descriptive parts of a bird; Geographical setting; Climate; Main habitats and bird species; Importance for birds; Migration; Birdwatching areas; What birdwatchers can do.)]; Bird conservation (pp. 22–27, by: Hem Sagar Baral); National organisations (pp. 27–29); International organisations (p. 29); References (p. 30); Acknowledgements (p. 30); Glossary (pp. 31–32); Family summaries (pp. 33–45, illus. in outer margin); Colour plates and species accounts (pp. 46–265); Appendix 1: Vagrants to Nepal (p. 272); Appendix 2: Species collected by Hodgson (p. 272); Tables (pp. 273–281); Index (pp. 282–288). "Taxonomy and nomenclature follow An Annotated Checklist of the Birds of the Oriental Region by Tim Inskipp, Nigel Lindsey and William Duckworth (1996) (q.v.)," (p. 7).

The general sequence of families is: Phasianidae; anatidae; Turnicidae; Indicatoridae; Picidae; Megalaimidae; Bucerotidae;

Upupidae; Trogonidae; Coraciidae; Alcedinidae; Halcyonidae; Cerylidae; Meropidae; Cuculidae; Centropodidae; Psittacidae; Apodidae; Hemiprocnidae; Tytonidae; Strigidae; Caprimulgidae; Columbidae; Otididae; Gruidae; Rallidae; Scolopacidae (Scolopacinae; Tringinae); Rostratulidae; Jacanidae; Burhinidae; Charadriidae (Recurvirostrinae; Charadriinae); Glareolidae (Glareolinae); Laridae (Rynchopini; Larini; Sternini); Accipitridae; Falconidae; Podicipedidae; Anhingidae; Phalacrocoracidae; Ardeidae; Phoenicopteridae; Threskiornithidae; Pelecanidae; Ciconiidae; Pittidae; Eurylaimidae; Irenidae; Laniidae; Corvidae [Corvinae (Artamini; Oriolini); Dicrurinae (Rhipidurini; Dicrurini; Monarchini); Aegithinidae; Malaconotinae]; Bombyllidae; Cincidae; Muscicapidae [Turdinae; Muscicapinae (Muscicapini; Saxicolini)]; Sturnidae; Sittidae; Certhiidae (Certhinae; Troglodytidae)]; Paridae; Aegithalidae; Hirundinidae; Pycnonotidae; Cisticolidae; Zosteropidae; Sylviidae [Acricephalinae; Megalurinae; Garrulacinae; Sylviinae (Timaliini; Sylviini)]; Alaudidae; Nectariniidae [Nectariniinae (Dicaeini; Nectariniini)]; Passeridae (Passerinae; Motacinninae; Prunellinae; Ploceinae; Estrildinae); Fringillidae (Fringillinae; Emberizinae).

This book can be divided into three parts. The first, introductory part (pp. 1–45) comprises of the chapters delineated above. The second part (pp. 46–265) comprises of colour plates and facing pages of captions that identify “the figures illustrated, very briefly summarise the species’s distribution, status, altitudinal range and habits, and provide information on the most important identification characters, including voice ... The identification texts are based on *Birds of the Indian Subcontinent*, by R. Grimmett, C. Inskipp and T. Inskipp (q.v.). The vast majority of the illustrations have been taken from the same work and, wherever possible, the correct races for Nepal have been depicted. A small number of additional illustrations of races occurring in Nepal were executed for this book,” (p. 7). The third part consists of appendices that list the vagrants to Nepal (71 spp.) and that of species collected by Brian Hodgson (15 spp.). It also contains 11 identification tables for the following genera: *Phylloscopus*; *Cettia*; *Bradypterus*; *Acrocephalus*; *Motacilla* and, the family *Emberizidae*.

Review: Anthony J. Gaston. 2001. *Ibis* 143: 507.

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196. **Grimmett, Richard, Carol Inskipp & Tim Inskipp.**

2011. *Birds of the Indian Subcontinent*. 2nd ed. London, Oxford University Press & Christopher Helm.

Pbk. (14.0 x 22.0 cm, with illus. cover by John Cox), pp. 1–528, pll. 1–226 (col., by Richard Allen, Adam Bowley, Clive Byres, Daniel Cole, John Cox, Gerald Driessens, Card d’Silva, Martin Elliott, Kim Franklin, John Gale, Alan Harris, Peter Hayman, Dave Nurney, Craig Robson, Christopher Schmidt, Brian Small, Jan Wilczur, Tim Worfolk, and Martin Woodcock).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); ded. (p. 2); tit. (p. 3); Imprint (p. 4); Conts. (p. 5); Map of the region (p. 6); Introd. (p. 7); Acknowledgements (p. 7); How to use this book (pp. 8–12; Species included, taxonomy and nomenclature, and species accounts); Plumage terminology (p. 13); Glossary (pp. 14–15); The Indian Subcontinent (pp. 16–19; Climate, main habitats and bird species, and importance for birds); Conservation (pp. 20–23; Religious attitudes and traditional protection, and current threats); Family summaries (pp. 24–39); Species accounts and plates (pp. 40–491); Appendix 1: Vagrants (pp. 492–502); Appendix 2: Doubtful species (p. 503); National organisations (p. 504); International organisations (pp. 504–505); References (p. 505); Index (pp. 506–528).

This is the 2nd ed., of the Grimmett et al. (1999; Pittie 2010: 339–341) *Pocket guide*, ‘and is a major revision of the much-reprinted first edition. For the first time all the text and maps are placed opposite the plates, and there are now 225 colour plates, 73 more than in the first edition. Almost all the places have been re-composed, so that there are now no more than six or seven species per plates, and many species and even a few families or groups have been repainted for this edition. Species texts have been significantly increased for almost all species, and the maps have been completely revised ... the total number of forms described in the book is 1,375’, (authors, p. 7). Eighty-seven vagrants (pp. 492–502), and 33 doubtful species (p. 503) are listed.

Reviews: Frank Lambert. 2012. *BirdingASIA* 17: 10–11; Tony Gaston. 2012. *Ibis* 154 (4): 910–911;

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197. **Grimmett, Richard, Carol Inskipp, Tim Inskipp & Hem Sagar Baral.**

2016. *Birds of Nepal*. Revised. London, UK, Christopher Helm.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover by Alan Harris), pp. 1–368, pll. 1–142 (col., by Richard Allen, Adam Bowley, Clive Byers, Dan Cole, John Cox, Gerald Driessens, Carl d’Silva, Martin Elliott, Kim Franklin, John Gale, Alan Harris, Peter Hayman, Dave Nurney, Craig Robson, Christopher Schmidt, Brian Small, Jan Wilczur, Tim Worfolk, and Martin Woodcock), 25 photographs, 3 line drawings, 1 map (col.).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); conts. (pp. 5–7); acknowledgements (p. 8); map (p. 9, col.); introd. (pp. 10–34); Bird conservation (pp. 35–41); National organisations (pp. 42–44); International organisations (pp. 44–45); References (pp. 46–47); Family summaries (pp. 48–61); Species accounts (pp. 62–345); Appendix 1: Vagrants, extirpated and recently recorded species (pp. 346–356); Appendix 2: Species collected by Hodgson not definitely recorded in Nepal (p. 357); Appendix 3: Species deleted from the Nepal list (p. 357); Index (pp. 358–368).

‘The species accounts summarize the species’ distribution, status, altitudinal range and habitats, and provide information on the most important identification characters, including voice and approximate body length’, (p. 10). Plates are on the recto, and on the facing verso are the range maps, and text.

Eighty-nine species are listed in Appendix 1, 13 in Appendix 2, and 1 in Appendix 3. Under references, thirty-seven works are listed.

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198. **Grimmett, Richard, Carol Inskipp, Tim Inskipp & Sherub.**
2019. *Birds of Bhutan and the Eastern Himalayas*. India, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd.
 Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover by Alan Harris), pp. 1–416, pll. 1–152 (col., by: Richard Allen, Adam Bowley, Clive Byers, Dan Cole, John Cox, Gerald Driessens, Carl d'Silva, Martin Elliott, Kim Franklin, John Gale, Alan Harris, Peter Hayman, Dave Nurney, Craig Robson, Christopher Schmidt, Brian Small, Jan Wilczur, Tim Worfold, and Martin Woodcock), 29 photographs (col., various photographers), 4 maps, 3 line drawings.
Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp., and ded. (p. 4); conts. (pp. 5–7); acknowledgements (p. 8); introd. (pp. 9–49); National organisations (pp. 50–52); International organisations (p. 53); References (pp. 54–55); Glossary (pp. 56–57); Family summaries (pp. 58–73); Species accounts (pp. 74–377); Appendix I: Vagrants (pp. 378–400); Appendix II: List of alternative English names (pp. 401–404); Appendix III: List of alternative Generic names (pp. 405–408); Index (pp. 409–416).
 This work presents all the 814 spp., regularly occurring in the region. Plates are on the recto of a double spread, and corresponding range maps, and text, are on the facing verso. The text 'very briefly summarizes the species' distribution, status, altitudinal range and habitats, and provides information on the most important identification characters, including voice and approximate body length of the species. One hundred and one vagrants are listed in Appendix I, and fifty works are listed in the references section.
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- 198A **Grimmett, Richard, Paul Thompson & Tim Inskipp.**
2021. *Birds of Bangladesh*. United Kingdom, Helm Bloomsbury Publishing Plc.
 Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus., cover), pp. 1–320, pll. 1–103 (col., various artists), 19 photographs (col.), 537 maps (col.).
Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); ded. (p. 2); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); conts. (pp. 5–7); acknowledgements (p. 8); introd. (p. 9); Taxonomy and nomenclature (p. 9); Plates and species accounts (pp. 10–11); Plumage terminology (pp. 11–12); Geographical setting (pp. 12–13); Climate (p. 14); Main habitats, threats and bird species (pp. 14–19); Importance of birds (p. 20); Birdwatching areas (pp. 21–28); Conservation measures (pp. 29–32); National organisations (p. 33); International organisations (p. 33); Glossary (pp. 34–35); Family summaries (pp. 36–53); Plates and species accounts (pp. 54–259); Appendix 1: Vagrants (pp. 260–283); Appendix 2: Species list including Bangla names (pp. 284–299); Appendix 3: Hypothetical and unconfirmed birds that might occur in Bangladesh (pp. 300–307); References (p. 308); Index (pp. 309–319); Quick index to the main groups of birds (p. 320).
 A landmark addition to the literature of the region. This work covers '705 species reliably recorded in the country up to the end of 2019. The detailed text covers all 535 bird species regularly occurring ... or that have bred or were presumed resident in the past. Accompanying this text, there are 103 colour plates depicting each species ... distribution maps to provide information on the extent and nature of each species' occurrence. Appendix 1 provides information on the 170 species that have been recorded rarely and are currently considered to be vagrants ... Appendix 3 lists 162 species for which there are published references ... but which are considered unproven,' (p. 9).
 The following artists have illustrated the plates: Richard Allen, Adam Bowley, Clive Byers, Dan Cole, John Cox, Gerald Driessens, Carl d'Silva, Martin Elliott, Kim Franklin, John Gale, Alan Harris, Peter Hayman, Dave Nurney, Craig Robson, Christopher Schmidt, Brian Small, Jan Wilczur, Tim Worfolk, and Martin Woodcock.
 All plates are on the recto, with corresponding species map, and text on the facing verso. The work lists 24 references (p. 308).
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199. **Grubh, Robert B. & Shailaja R. Grubh.**
2012. *Wetland birds of Tamil Nadu: A pictorial field guide*. 1st ed. Nagercoil, India, Institute for Restoration of Natural Environment.
 Hbk. (13.5 x 21 cm, with illus. cover. Issued without dust cover), pp. 1–168, pll. 1–45 (col., comprising 215 photographs), 3 maps (col.).
Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); tit. (p. 3); ded. (p. 4, with portr. of Dr Sálím Ali); conts. (p. 5); quote (p. 6); acknowledgements (p. 7, by Robert B Grubh); Photo credits (p. 8); Foreword (pp. 9–10, by P. Kannan); About this book (pp. 11–17); Some tips for birdwatchers (pp. 17–20); Wetlands and wetland birds (pp. 20–25); Species description (pp. 26–145); Appendix I: (Map-1). Some breeding destinations of birds wintering in southern India (p. 146); Appendix II: Important bird-attracting wetlands of Tamil Nadu and Puducherry (pp. 147–150); Appendix III: White Stork or Painted Stork? (pp. 151–152); Appendix IV: Identifying Heuglin's and Great Blackheaded gulls: Similarities and differences of adults in winter plumage (p. 153); Appendix V: List of plates (pp. 154–155); Appendix VI: Books recommended for further reading (p. 156); Bibliography (p. 157); Index: By common name (pp. 158–165); Index: By scientific name (pp. 165–168).
 The work contains information on '149 species of wetlands birds ... seen in Tamil Nadu and neighbouring states', (publisher's blurb on back cover). It is written in English and Tamil.
Review: T. Badhri Narayanan. 2015. *Blackbuck* 26 (1–4): 25–28.
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200. **Gubbi, Sanjay & Poornesha H. C.**
2020. *Land of the Honey Badger: The enchanting landscape of Cauvery & Malai Mahadeshwara Wildlife Sanctuaries*. Bengaluru, India, Nature Conservation Foundation & Holematthi Nature Foundation.

Hbk. (22.5 x 23 cm, with illus., cover; issued without dust cover), pp. 1–140, 8 illustrations (col., by Manvi Vakharia), 68 photographs (col., various photographers), 2 portrs. (col., authors).

Contents: Tit. (p. 1; bi-lingual); imp. (p. 2); Acknowledgements (pp. 4–5); 3 double page photographs (pp. 6–11); Pl. (p. 12, col.); conts. (p. 13); map (pp. 14–15, col.); introd. (pp. 16–23); Communities (pp. 24–31); Habitats (pp. 32–39); Trees (pp. 41–49); Mammals (pp. 51–81); Birds (pp. 83–109); Reptiles (pp. 111–121); Butterflies (pp. 123–129); Fishes (pp. 131–137); Photo credit (p. 138); About the authors (p. 140).

This is a bi-lingual (English and Kannada) coffee-table book, on the beauty of the dry forest landscape between the Kaveri and Paalar rivers in the southern Indian state of Karnataka.

Thirteen species of birds are covered, each on a double page spread, with bi-lingual text on the verso and a colour photograph on the recto.

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201. Gujja, Biksham, Charles Thomas Hash Jr, M. M. Sharma, Farida Tampal & S. M. Maqsood Javed. Eds.

2010. *Biodiversity @ ICRISAT-Patancheru, India (Version 2.0)*. Hyderabad, ICRISAT & WWF.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–x, 1–386, innum., photographs (col., by C. T. Hash, M. M. Sharma, ICRISAT, C. Sudhakar Reddy, Robert Simmons, L. Vidyasagar, Farida Tampal, S. M. Maqsood Javed, Vasudev Rao, P. S. M. Srinivas, Zeeshan A. Mirza, and Varun Vaze).

Contents: Photograph (inside front cover; col.); tit. (p. i; inscribed in my copy); Contributors (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); Acknowledgements (p. iv); Foreword (pp. v–vi, by William D. Dar); pref. (p. vii, by Biksham Gujja); Message (p. viii, by Anil Kumar V. Epur); Message (p. ix, by Farida Tampal); introd. (pp. 1–11); Ecosystems in ICRISAT (pp. 12–16); Flora (pp. 17–141); Fauna (pp. 143–344); Checklists (pp. 345–367); Index (pp. 368–381); Further reading (pp. 382–383); Photo credits (pp. 384–386); Migratory birds at ICRISAT (bound-in fold-out col., map); Photograph (back inside cover, col.).

This is a much augmented field guide, from the 2007 ed., (Pittie 2010: 351) to the biodiversity of the primarily agricultural landscape of ICRISAT Campus, a c.3,000 acres protected area, surrounded by an industrial township in Medak District, Telangana, India. It would stand well as a field guide to the flora and fauna of a much larger part of the surrounding region.

The section on flora (pp. 17–141) deals with fungi, crops and vegetables, climbers, creepers and grasses, herbs, shrubs, and trees, most of which are illustrated with colour photographs.

The larger section on fauna (pp. 143–344) deals with: Arachnids (pp. 145–149); Insects (pp. 151–184); Fishes (pp. 185–188); Amphibians (pp. 189–195); Reptiles (pp. 197–209); Birds (pp. 211–336); and Mammals (pp. 337–344).

The section on birds (pp. 211–336) is illustrated with colour photographs, and contains details of name, family, distribution, description, habit, and habitat for each taxon. A checklist of birds (pp. 359–366) lists 257 taxa.

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201A. Gupta, A. K., Ajith Kumar & V. Ramakantha. Eds.

2003. *Conservation of rainforests in India*. ENVIS Bulletin: Wildlife & Protected Areas. Vol. 4 No. 1. Dehradun, India, Wildlife Institute of India.

Pbk. (21.5 x 28 cm; with illus., cover), pp. 7ll., i–vii, 1–385, innum., photographs, illus., text-figs.

Contents: Director's note (pp. i–ii, by S. Singait); Foreword (pp. iii–iv, by Brian K. Davis); pref. (pp. v–vi, by the editors).

Section I: Overview of biodiversity of rainforests in India: Biodiversity of northeast India: An overview (pp. 1–24, by V. Ramakantha, A. K. Gupta & Ajith Kumar); Biodiversity of the Western Ghats: An overview (pp. 25–40, by R. J. Ranjit Daniels).

Section II: Species accounts: An overview of insect diversity of the Western Ghats with special reference to Kerala State (pp. 41–68, by George Mathew & C. F. Binoy); Biodiversity of Indian Assassin Bugs (Insecta: Hemiptera: Reduviidae) (pp. 69–104, by Dunston P. Ambrose); State of the art knowledge on the butterflies of Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve (pp. 115–120, by George Mathew & M. Mahesh Kumar); An overview of spider diversity in India (pp. 121–128, by Rajashekhar K. Patil & Raghavendra N.); Whitefly systematics (Aleyrodidae: Hemiptera: Insecta) (pp. 129–142, by R. W. Alexander Jesudasan); Land snails of Western Ghats (pp. 143–152, by N. A. Madhyastha, Rajendra, G. Mavinkurve & Sandhya P. Shanbhag); Fishes of rain forest streams / rivers of India—a research overview (pp. 153–172, by M. Arunachalam, A. Manimekalan, J. A. Johnson & A. Sankaranarayanan); Nesting ecology of Baya birds in the Western Ghat regions of Karnataka (pp. 173–184, by B. B. Hosetti); Status and conservation of bird diversity in Western Ghats of Karnataka, south India (pp. 185–214, by A. K. Chakravathy). **Section III: Research and conservation: Issues, gaps and priorities:** Tropical rainforests of India: Review of scientific research on vertebrates in the past 30 years (pp. 215–220, by R. J. Ranjit Daniels); Introduction of the Anamallai Biodiversity Conservation Association (pp. 221–224, by Simon Vasnaik); Study of genetic diversity (pp. 225–228, by P. T. Cherian); Conservation of pollinator services in rainforests (pp. 229–242, by Renee M. Borges); Soil fauna studies in the rainforests of northeast India: Knowledge gaps and areas of research priorities (pp. 243–258, by V. T. Darlong, S. J. S. Hattar & J. R. B. Alfred); Biodiversity and wildlife research in northeast India: New initiatives by the Wildlife Institute of India (pp. 259–270, by A. K. Gupta); Report on the survey of rainforest fragments in the Western Ghats for amphibian diversity (pp. 271–278, by Karthikeyan Vasudevan); Conservation of tropical rain forests in Arunachal Pradesh (pp. 279–286, by D. N. Singh). **Section IV: Bibliography:** Selected bibliography on the status of conservation and research in rainforests in India (pp. 287–382, by M. S. Rana & Shashi Uniyal); List of contributors (pp. 383–384).

The bibliography lists 123 works on birds.

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202. Gupta, Rohit.

2011. *Birds of Baramulla*. New Delhi, India, 19 Infantry Division.

Hbk. (28 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover, and illus., dust cover), pp. 1–148, 155 photographs (col.), 3 portrs. (col.).

Contents: Endpapers (illus., photos); Tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); conts. (p. 3); acknowledgements (pp. 4–5, illus.); Foreword (pp. 6–7, by Lieut. Gen. S. A. Hasnain); pref. (pp. 8–9, by Maj. Gen. V. S. Dadhwal); introd. (pp. 10–11, by Col. Anil Kumar); Glossary of terms used (pp. 13–15); Baramulla: A historical perspective (pp. 16–17); Protected areas in the region of Wular Lake (pp. 19–29); Kashmir: Erstwhile playground of the sportsmen-naturalists (pp. 31–34); Parts of a bird (p. 35); Key to using this book (p. 36); Birds of Baramulla (pp. 37–139); Birdlife in Kashmir (pp. 140–143, a poem by Muriel A. E. Brown); Index of common names (pp. 144–145); Bibliography (pp. 146–147); quote (p. 148).

This is a slim photographic coffee-table book on some of the birds of the area. The publisher added the photographs accompanying the text on wildlife sanctuaries/parks.

Review: Baljit Singh. 2012. *Indian BIRDS* 7 (6): 177.

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203. Halder, Ronald R.

2010. *A photographic guide to birds of Bangladesh*. 1st ed. Dhaka, Bangladesh, Baikal Teal Production.

Pbk. (13.5 x 19.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–257+1, 2 maps (p. 8), maps (several; distribution), photos (735; col., by author & others).

Contents: Tit. (p. 1); ded., & imp. (p. 2); Conts. (p. 3); Foreword (p. 4, by Dr Paul M. Thompson); Author's pref. (p. 5); Introd. (pp. 6–7); Acknowledgement (p. 7); Bird distribution status map legend, Key to symbols and abbreviations, and Forest and birdwatching area (p. 8); Topography of a bird (p. 9); Identification summaries (pp. 10–248); Glossary (pp. 249–250); Selected references (p. 250); Index (pp. 251–257); Notes [p. 258].

The work covers 472 spp. (vide information on back cover), with two taxa per page. Information includes: English, scientific, and Bangla names, size, distribution map, status, brief notes on identification, and habitat. Scientific names follow the '*Annotated checklist ...*' of Inskipp et al. (1996; Pittie 2010: 407–408). The index contains Bangla, English, and scientific names.

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204. Haly, Amyrald. (1845–1921)

1887. *First report on the collection of birds in the Colombo Museum*. Colombo, Sri Lanka, Colombo Museum.

Pbk. (14.0 x 21.5 cm), pp. 1–80.

Note (p. 1; dated 'January 29, 1887', by A. Haly); [Checklist] (pp. 1–14); [Catalogue] (pp. 15–77); Appendix (p. 78); Books and papers in the museum library containing notices of Ceylon birds (pp. 79–80).

A list of 361 taxa from 'Ceylon' [=Sri Lanka], compiled from W. V. Legge's *Birds of Ceylon*, the *Catalogue of birds in the British Museum* series, and Hume & Marshall's *Game birds of India and Ceylon* (p. 1).

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205. Harrison, John.

2011. *A field guide to the birds of Sri Lanka*. 2nd ed. Oxford, U.K., Oxford University Press.

Hbk. (14.0 x 19.8 cm, with illus. cover; issued without dust cover), pp. i–xv+1, 1–208+1, pll. 1–49 (col. by; Tim Worfolk), 5 line drawings (by; Tim Worfolk), 2 maps.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); pref. (p. v–vi, by 'JH', Bristol 1998); pref. to the second edition (pp. vii–viii, by 'JH', Bristol 2009); acknowledgements (p. ix); acknowledgements to second edition (p. x); conts. (pp. xi–xiii); List of plates (pp. xiv–xv); map (p. 1); Background: Introduction to the country (pp. 2–11); Background: Notes on the guide (pp. 12–13); Glossary (pp. 14–16); Topography of a bird (pp. 17–18); 49 pll. (between pp. 18 and 19); Family and species descriptions (pp. 19–186); Appendix: List of other reported but unconfirmed vagrants (p. 187); Bibliography (pp. 188–189); Index of English names (pp. 191–200); Index of scientific names (pp. 201–208).

For general notes see Pittie (2010: 360–361).

Review: Peter L. Bright. 2012. *Ibis* 154 (4): 911–912.

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205A. Harrison, Peter, Martin Perrow & Hans Larsson.

2021. *Seabirds: The new identification guide*. Barcelona, Lynx Edicions.

Hbk. (15.5 x 23.5 cm, with illus., cover; issued without a dustcover), pp. 1–600, pll. 1–239 (by Peter Harrison, and 'Gulls' by Hans Larsson), figs. 1–29 (by Hans Larsson), innum., maps (col.), 3 portrs. (authors, back cover).

Contents: Endpapers (map showing 117 locations important for pelagic birds, mentioned in the text); half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3, illus.); imprint (p. 4); Table of conts. (p. 5); ded. (p. 6); pref. (pp. 7–8, by Peter Harrison, May 2021); Acknowledgements (pp. 9–10); introd. (pp. 11–17); How to use this book (pp. 18–30); Systematic accounts (pp. 31–571); Rereferences (pp. 573–594);

Index (pp. 595–600).

The various chapters, and their sections are as follows:

Introduction (pp. 11–17) contains the following sub-sections: What is a seabird? and The basics of seabird ID.

How to use this book: Group introduction & identification, species accounts, distribution maps, abbreviations explained, ageing terminology, glossary of terms, seabird topography, where in the world?, and species inventory.

Systematic accounts: Seaducks, grebes, sheathbills, phalaropes, skimmers, gulls, terns & noddies, skuas & jaegers, auks, tropicbirds, loons (divers), penguins, albatrosses, southern & northern storm-petrels, petrels, shearwaters & diving-petrels, frigatebirds, gannets & boobies, cormorants & shags, and pelicans.

Publisher's summary: This is the first comprehensive guide to the world's 434 species of seabirds, to be published since the 1983 publication of Harrison's *Seabirds: An identification guide*. It covers all known seabirds, beginning with seaducks and grebes and ending with cormorants and pelicans. Lavishly illustrated and detailed throughout the 600 pages, this guide gives full treatment to all known seabird species including recently rediscovered and rarely seen species.

239 superb, full-colour plates with extensive captions and detailed facing-plate identification texts and maps, to enable identification at a glance.

More than 3,800 full-colour figures with illustrations of distinct subspecies, sexes, ages and morphs, are further supported by in-text identification keys and figures.

Comprehensive and definitive, the text covers status and conservation, geographic range, movements and migration, breeding biology and feeding habits, plus identification and latest taxonomic treatments.

The only seabird guide to cover all known seabird groups and species. Seabirders worldwide will find this to be an authoritative, one-of-a-kind publication for use around the globe.

Errors seem to have inadvertently crept into the work, and the publisher's have created an online list of the errors detected in the publication and their corrections at URL: https://www.lynxeds.com/errata-seabirds/?utm_source=ActiveCampaign&utm_medium=email&utm_content=Seabirds%3A+The+New+Identification+Guide+-+errata+list&utm_campaign=EN+-+Errata+Seabirds&vgo_ee=6%2B4uy7O1RHsemCAEqWy%2BKypUFd7JHyq9acdSgULWaM%3D. (Accessed on 28 July 2021.) This includes a PDF of pl. 6.

Review: Cheshire, N., 2021. *Sea Swallow* 141 (3): 80.

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206. **Hatter, S. J. S., Nibedita Sen, Rosamma Mathew & Sumita Sharma. Eds.**
2004. *Faunal diversity of Saipung Wildlife Sanctuary / Narpuh Reserve Forest, Jaintia Hills (Meghalaya)*. Conservation Area Series, 21. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.
 PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–xiii, 1–66+4, 6 photographs (col.), 1 map.
Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (pp. iii–xiii); introd. (pp. 1–2); Systematic accounts (pp. 2–63); Discussion (p. 64); Acknowledgement (p. 65); References (pp. 65–66); pll.
 The section on Aves (pp. 59–61) contains a list of 25 taxa.
 <PDF copy held. Source: <http://faunaofindia.nic.in/php/about3.php>.>
207. **Hennache, Alain & Michel Ottaviani.**
2020. *Monograph of the pheasants*. Revised & updated. U.K., World Pheasant Organisation.
 Hbk. (21 x 29.7 cm), pp. 1–455, 150 photographs (col.), 19 maps
 'The World Pheasant Organisation worked with the authors, Alain Hennache and Michel Ottaviani, to translate their acclaimed two-volume *Monographie des faisans* into a single English volume. This book presents the latest information available in 2019 on all of the currently recognized pheasant species and includes an appendix with information on the four species of Junglefowl.
 'It begins with detailed chapters on taxonomy, conservation and the captive breeding of pheasants. After which the genera, ranging from *Tragopan* through to *Afropavo* and finally *Gallus* are discussed. For each species the authors have detailed the most up to date information on the description, the geographical distribution, the origins of the denomination, the subspecies, the habitat, the feeding, the non-social behavior, the social behavior, courtship display, nesting, predation, conservation status, legislative status, the captive population and breeding.
 'The species are generously illustrated with photographs provided by the authors and many photographers from around the world, some whose work has not been previously shown.
 'This book represents a unique look at the pheasants and is the only complete work on the subject to consider the DNA research up to the present day.
 'Translated from the French by Philippe B. Wilson with the participation of Geoffrey Davidson, fully revised and updated' [Publisher's blurb].
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208. **Hine, Paul, Sivakumar, Govinda, Arun & Akila. Eds.**
2018. *Birds of Tiruvannamalai—A guide book*. Chennai, India, The Forest Way Trust.
 Pbk. (15 x 21 cm, with illus. cover by Sivakumar), pp. 1–160, 87 pll. (col., by Sivakumar), 126 photographs (col., by Sivakumar), 1 photograph (B&W, by Sivakumar), 2 portr. (1 col., 1 B&W), 1 map (col.), 1 line drawing.

Contents: Tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); conts. (p. 3); pref. (pp. 4–5, by K. S. Kandasamy); introd. (pp. 6–7); About the park (p. 8); About the artist (p. 9); Habitat descriptions (pp. 10–12); Map of Tiruvannamalai District (p. 13); Identifying the birds (pp. 14–15); To be a good birdwatcher (pp. 16–17); Acknowledgements (pp. 18–19); Birds of Tiruvannamalai (pp. 20–154); Index of common names (pp. 155–157); Index of scientific names (pp. 158–160).

This book introduces 'the birds that can be found on and around the Sacred Hill of Arunachala. All birds included in this volume have been noted within a 10 km radius of the Hill', (p. 6). A general introduction with beautifully rendered artwork of the birds.

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209. Hoffman, Julian.

2019. *Irreplaceable: The fight to save our wild places*. United Kingdom, Hamish Hamilton.

Hbk. (15 x 23.5 cm, with illus., dust cover), pp. i–xi, 1–404.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); title (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); dedication (p. v); quotes (p. vii); conts. (p. ix); note on the text (p. xi); Introduction (pp. 1–16); The marsh country (pp. 17–46); Woods of old knowing (pp. 47–84); The land of the Lynx (pp. 85–120); Nocturnes (pp. 121–148); The sacred reaches (pp. 149–181); A world within water (pp. 182–214); A rose of defiance (pp. 215–250); The sum of a place (pp. 251–282); Between earth and sky (pp. 283–318); The nest protectors (pp. 319–349); Radical amazement (pp. 350–364); Epilogue (pp. 365–372); Afterword (pp. 373–374); Acknowledgements (pp. 375–380); Bibliography (pp. 381–390); Websites of interest (pp. 391–392); Index (pp. 393–404).

Two chapters concern South Asia: 'The sacred reaches' (pp. 149–181) talks about the vulture problem, and the Niyamgiri Hills movement in Orissa; and 'The nest protectors' (pp. 319–349) about the hornbill nest protection programme in Arunachal Pradesh.

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210. Hoffmeister, Werner. (1819–1845)

1847. *Briefe aus Indien [Letters from India]*. 1st ed. Berlin

Hbk. (?), 1 l., pp. I–XII, 1–393+3

Includes a chapter entitled 'Birds of the Himalayas (Mr Hay's collection of Simla)', pp. 369–393

<In German; Xerox copy held of English translation>

211. Howard, Mary Thornton.

2012. *John Latham. Surgeon, ornithologist and antiquary: Romsey's first historian*. 1st ed. UK, Matador.

Pbk. [15 x 21 cm, with vignette on cover], pp. [i–viii], ix–x, 1–50+4, 4 pp. illus. between pp. 22 and 23, 15 illus., or photographs, 1 portr., 1 map.

Contents: Frontisp. (p. i); text (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); map (pp. vi–vii); Introd. (pp. ix–x); Early life (pp. 1–2); Medical career (pp. 3–6); Ornithologist (pp. 7–10); Publications (pp. 11–15); The Linnean Society (p. 16); Retirement (pp. 17–8); Antiquary (pp. 19–22); History of Romsey (pp. 23–26); Oral tradition (pp. 27–29); Civic responsibility (pp. 30–32); Loyal friend (p. 33); Disaster (pp. 34–36); Winchester (pp. 37–40); The last years (pp. 41–43); Acknowledgements (p. 45); Bibliography (pp. 47–50).

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212. Howell, Steve N. G. & Kirk Zufelt.

2019. *Oceanic birds of the world: A photo guide*. New Jersey, USA, Princeton University Press.

Pbk. (14.5 x 21 cm, with illus. cover; issued without dust cover), pp. 1–360, 2,200+ photographs (col., various photographers), innum., range maps (col.).

Contents: Pictorial conts. (free front endpaper verso–p. 1); tit. (p. 3, illus.); imp. (p. 4, illus.); conts. (p. 5); Pref. (pp. 6–7); How to use this book (pp. 8–13); introd. (pp. 14–30); Species accounts and plates (pp. 15–339); Appendix A: Geographic locations (pp. 340–343); Appendix B: Taxonomy and English names (pp. 344–350); Acknowledgments (pp. 351–352); References (pp. 353–356); Index (pp. 357–358); Notes (pp. 359–360); Some anatomy and plumage terms (free back endpaper recto).

This state-of-the-art photographic field guide, to the world's pelagic birds, covers more than 270 spp. The introd., has text under various subheadings: Taxonomy and types of oceanic birds; identifying seabirds at sea, molt—yes, it can be useful; where and how to see oceanic birds; and conservation. The species accounts contain information on names, size, identification, distribution maps, breeding periods, feeding habits, and abundance. Ninety-seven works are listed under References.

Review: Neil Cheshire. 2020. *Sea Swallow* 69: 96.

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212A. Huisman, G. Jelmer.

2021. *Estrildid finches of the world*. The Netherlands, Published by the author.

Hbk. (20.5 x 29 cm, with illus., cover; issued without dust cover), pp. 1–396, approx., 300 photographs (col., various photographers), maps (col., several).

Contents: Tit. (p. 1, illus.); Colophon (p. 2, illus.); conts. (p. 5); Author's pref. (p. 7); Foreword (pp. 8–13, by Gabriel A. Jamie, Claire N. Spottiswoode & Nigel Collar); Taxonomy of Estrildidae—Estrildid finches (pp. 14–18); Content formulation and terminology (p. 19); Legend of species descriptions (p. 20); Map of origin—Estrildid finches (p. 22); Estrildid finches and their evolution (p. 23); Species descriptions of Estrildid finches (pp. 26–379); Host-parent species of Parasitic Wydahs and Indigobirds (p. 380); Brood parasitism in Estrildid finches and other passerines (pp. 381–383); Overview of mouth markings (pp. 390–391); List of photographs (pp. 390–391); Bibliography (p. 392); Index of common names (p. 392); Index of scientific names (p. 393); Glossary (pp. 394–395); Acknowledgements (p. 396).

'This ... book describes all the existing estrildid finches of the world in all their facets, includes subspecies distribution maps and the largest collection of mouth markings photos. The intention is to provide a solid impression of species of this family ... and to more closely observe these remarkable birds ... the book can also be used as a photographic identification guide to the different species and subspecies,' (p. 7).

Covers the following genera under the subfamily Estrildinae: *Nigrita*, *Paramoptila*, *Nesocharis*, *Mandingoa*, *Hypargos*, *Clytospiza*, *Euschistospiza*, *Cryptospiza*, *Estrilda*, *Spermophaga*, *Pyrenestes*, *Uraeginthus*, *Granatina*, *Pytilia*, *Lagonosticta*, *Amadina*, *Amandava*, *Ortygospiza*, and *Paludipasser*; and under *Lonchurinae*: *Emblema*, *Stagonopleura*, *Oreostruthus*, *Neochmia*, *Poephila*, *Taeniopygia*, *Erythrura*, *Chloebia*, *Euodice*, *Odontospiza*, *Spermestes*, *Lepidopygia*, *Lonchura*, and *Heteromunia*.

The species description pages contain the following details: Scientific name, distribution range, migration status, general notes, distribution, identification, subspecies, habitat, diet, reproduction, breeding data, and names in other languages.

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213. Hume, Allan Octavian. (1829–1912)

1870. *My scrap book: or rough notes on Indian Oology and Ornithology*. Calcutta, Published by the author.

Hbk. (8vo.). Part I No. 2: pp. i–iv (subtitle and pref. to part I, No. 2), 239–422. [After Zimmer.]

Contents: Pp. i–iv (subtitle and pref.), text (pp. 239–422).

For general notes see Pittie (2010: 388).

New name: *Milvus Major* Hume, 1870 p. 326 (= *Milvus melanotis*: see SF 10: 95).

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213A. HUME, Allan Octavian.

1874. *The Indian Ornithological Collector's Vade-mecum: Containing brief practical instructions for collecting, preserving, packing, and keeping specimens of birds, eggs, nests, feathers, and skeletons*. Calcutta & London, Calcutta Central Press Company Limited & Bernard Quaritch.

PDF. Pp. i–vi, 1–78, 1 text-fig.

Contents: Frontisp.; tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); pref. (p. iii, A.O.H.); conts. (p. v); Birds (pp. 1–56); Eggs (pp. 56–72); Nests (pp. 73–74); Skeletons (pp. 75–77); Feathers (pp. 78–?).

An early booklet on museum practices in preserving bird skins, eggs, nests, skeletons, and feathers.

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214. Inskipp, Carol & Tim Inskipp.

1991. *A guide to the birds of Nepal*. 2nd ed. London, A. & C. Black / Christopher Helm (Publishers) Ltd.

Hbk. (18.5 x 24.2 cm, with illus., dust cover), pp. 1–400, pll. 1–8 [col. by; Craig Robson (1, 6, 7), Richard Grimmett (2–5), Clive Byers (8)], 197 line drawings (by; Dave Farrow, Richard Grimmett, Patrick Hamon, Dave Mills, Mike Parker, Craig Robson, Steve Rooke), 25 pll. [line drawings, by: Dave Mills (pp. 33, 38), Craig Robson (pp. 35, 49, 63, 65, 74, 83), Steve Rooke (pp. 37, 61, 83), Steen Christensen (pp. 41, 43), Ray Turley (pp. 45, 47, 51, 53), Richard Grimmett (pp. 55, 57, 58), Tim Inskipp (pp. 59, 61), Clive Byers (p. 79), Dave Farrow (p. 81), Mike Parker (p. 82)], maps 1–7, 703 maps (distribution).

Contents: Map 1. Nepal (Front endpaper); half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 5); List of illustrations (p. 6); ded. (p. 7); Acknowledgements (pp. 8–9); introd. (pp. 10–11); Maps 2–3 (p. 12); Topography, climate and vegetation (pp. 13–15); Bird distribution (pp. 16–17); Bird conservation (pp. 18–19); Protected areas (p. 20); Migration (pp. 21–23); History of ornithology in Nepal (p. 24); Bird-watching areas (pp. 25–30); Identification section (pp. 31–83); Key to the distribution maps (p. 84); Species accounts (pp. 85–375); Bibliography (pp. 376–389); Index to English names (pp. 390–395); Index to scientific names (pp. 396–400); Map 1. Nepal (*bis*. Rear endpaper).

"For this new edition ... have included a wealth of new information on the distribution and status of Nepal's 836 bird species. Valuable information is given on breeding, habitat, behaviour and range within the Indian subcontinent with emphasis on the Himalayas. The 703 distribution maps cover all but the rarer and more localised birds" (publisher's blurb on dust cover front inside flap).

Review: Tom Roberts in *OBC Bulletin* 15: 37–38.

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215. Inskipp, Carol, Hem Sagar Baral, Sunita Phuyal, T. R. Bhatt, Monsoon Pokharel Khatiwada, Tim Inskipp, Ambika Prasad Khatiwada, S. Gurung, Paras Bikram Singh, L. Murray, Laxman Poudyal & Rajan Amin.
 2016. *The status of Nepal's birds: The national Red List series*. London, UK, The Zoological Society of London. Vol. 1 of 6. PDF, pp. i–viii, 1–678, 6 pll., (col.), 131 photos (col., various photographers), 133 maps, tables 1–4, figures.
Contents: Tit., imp., Notes on front and back cover design, The Zoological Society of London, Foreword (by Uday Chandra Thakur), Foreword (Richard Grimmett), conts., (pp. i–viii); Acknowledgements (pp. 1–3); Introduction (pp. 4–8); Status of Nepal's birds (pp. 9–16); Threats to Nepal's birds (pp. 17–27); Conservation recommendations (pp. 28–32); Format of species accounts (p. 33); Species accounts (pp. 34–686); Back cover (p. 688).
 Covers 131 taxa from Galliformes, Anseriformes, Podicipediformes, Ciconiiformes, Pelicaniformes, and Falconiformes.
 An exceptionally detailed work wherein sub-headings under each taxon include: Scientific name, common name, Order, Family, distribution (with a map), elevation, population, total population size, habitat and ecology, threats, conservation measures, IUCN Red Listing, rationale for the Red List assessment, and bibliography.
 <PDF copy held. Source: <https://www.researchgate.net/project/Nepal-Bird-Red-List>>
216. Inskipp, Carol, Hem Sagar Baral, Sunita Phuyal, T. R. Bhatt, Monsoon Pokharel Khatiwada, Tim Inskipp, Ambika Prasad Khatiwada, S. Gurung, Paras Bikram Singh, L. Murray, Laxman Poudyal & Rajan Amin.
 2016. *The status of Nepal's birds: The national Red List series*. London, UK, The Zoological Society of London. Vol. 2 of 6. PDF, pp. i–viii, 1–626, 6 pll., (col.), photos of all species (col., various photographers), ??? maps.
Contents: Tit., imp., Notes on front and back cover design, The Zoological Society of London, Foreword (by Uday Chandra Thakur), Foreword (Richard Grimmett), conts., (pp. i–viii); Species accounts (pp. 1–626); Back cover (p. 628).
 Covers taxa from Gruiformes, Charadriiformes, Columbiformes, Psittaciformes, Cuculiformes, and Strigiformes.
 For general notes see #215.
 <PDF copy held. Source: <https://www.researchgate.net/project/Nepal-Bird-Red-List>>
217. Inskipp, Carol, Hem Sagar Baral, Sunita Phuyal, T. R. Bhatt, Monsoon Pokharel Khatiwada, Tim Inskipp, Ambika Prasad Khatiwada, S. Gurung, Paras Bikram Singh, L. Murray, Laxman Poudyal & Rajan Amin.
 2016. *The status of Nepal's birds: The national Red List series*. London, UK, The Zoological Society of London. Vol. 3 of 6. PDF, pp. i–viii, 1–603, 6 pll., (col.), photos of all species (col., various photographers), maps for all species.
Contents: Tit., imp., Notes on front and back cover design, The Zoological Society of London, Foreword (by Uday Chandra Thakur), Foreword (Richard Grimmett), conts., (pp. i–viii); Species accounts (pp. 1–603); Back cover (p. 604).
 Covers taxa from Caprimulgiformes, Apodiformes, Trogoniformes, Coraciiformes, Piciformes, and Passeriformes.
 For general notes see #215.
 <PDF copy held. Source: <https://www.researchgate.net/project/Nepal-Bird-Red-List>>
218. Inskipp, Carol, Hem Sagar Baral, Sunita Phuyal, T. R. Bhatt, Monsoon Pokharel Khatiwada, Tim Inskipp, Ambika Prasad Khatiwada, S. Gurung, Paras Bikram Singh, L. Murray, Laxman Poudyal & Rajan Amin.
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 Covers Passeriformes.
 For general notes see #215.
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219. Inskipp, Carol, Hem Sagar Baral, Sunita Phuyal, T. R. Bhatt, Monsoon Pokharel Khatiwada, Tim Inskipp, Ambika Prasad Khatiwada, S. Gurung, Paras Bikram Singh, L. Murray, Laxman Poudyal & Rajan Amin.
 2016. *The status of Nepal's birds: The national Red List series*. London, UK, The Zoological Society of London. Vol. 5 of 6. Pbk. (??), pp. i–viii, 1–443, 6 pll., (col.), photos of all species (col., various photographers), maps for all species.
Contents: Tit., imp., Notes on front and back cover design, The Zoological Society of London, Foreword (by Uday Chandra Thakur), Foreword (Richard Grimmett), conts., (pp. i–viii); Species accounts (pp. 1–443); Back cover (p. 444).
 Covers Passeriformes.
 For general notes see #215.
 <PDF copy held. Source: <https://www.researchgate.net/project/Nepal-Bird-Red-List>>
220. Inskipp, Carol, Hem Sagar Baral, Sunita Phuyal, T. R. Bhatt, Monsoon Pokharel Khatiwada, Tim Inskipp, Ambika Prasad Khatiwada, S. Gurung, Paras Bikram Singh, L. Murray, Laxman Poudyal & Rajan Amin.
 2016. *The status of Nepal's birds: The national Red List series*. London, UK, The Zoological Society of London. Vol. 6 of 6. PDF, pp. i–viii, 1–587, 6 pll., (col.), photos of all species (col., various photographers), maps for all species.
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Appendices: Appendix 1: Nepal bird checklist with threat categories (pp. 564–581); Appendix 2: Summary of criteria A–E for Critically Endangered, Endangered or Vulnerable species (p. 582); Appendix 3: Definitions of IUCN categories (p. 583); Appendix 4: Globally threatened species recorded in Nepal (p. 584); Appendix 5: Near-threatened species recorded in Nepal (p. 585); Appendix 6: Nepal's restricted-range species (p. 586); Appendix 7: Vagrants of Nepal (pp. 586–587); Appendix 8: Protected birds of Nepal (p. 587); Back cover (p. 588).

Covers Passeriformes.

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220A. Jackson, Christine Elizabeth.

1994. *Bird painting: The eighteenth century*. England, Antique Collectors' Club. Vol. 2 of 4 vols.

Hbk. (21 x 27 cm, cloth, with gilt title on cover and spine; with illus., dust cover), pp. 1–143, illus. (col., innum.).

Contents: Endpapers (illus.); frontisp. (p. 2); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); conts. (p. 5); foreword (p. 7, by Rafael Valls, July 1994); introd. (pp. 8–13); artists and their works (pp. 14–139); Index of birds (pp. 140–141); Index (p. 141); Photographic acknowledgements (p. 141); advts. (pp. 142–143).

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221. Jackson, Christine Elizabeth.

2006. *Peacock*. 1st ed. London, Reaktion Books Ltd.

Pbk. (13.5 x 19.0 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–192, 79 photos (col., various), 41 photos (monochr., various).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); advt. (p. 2); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); Conts. (p. 5); Introd. (pp. 7–13); Natural History (pp. 15–41); Unnatural history (pp. 43–60); The Blue Indian Peacock at home (pp. 61–85); The Blue Indian Peacock goes West (pp. 86–124); The Green Peacock in the East (pp. 125–147); Artefacts and architecture (pp. 148–173); Timeline (pp. 174–175); References (pp. 176–183); Bibliography (pp. 184–186); Associations and websites (p. 187); Acknowledgements (p. 188); Photo acknowledgements (p. 189); Index (pp. 190–192).

Review: Ann Datta. 2007. *Archives of Natural History* 34 (2): 360.

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222. Jansen, Justin J. F. J.

2018. *The ornithology of the Baudin Expedition (1800–1804)*. 1st ed. Grave, Netherlands, Published by the author.

Hbk. (21 x 28 cm, with illus. cover by R. S. Roe; issued without dust cover), pp. i–vi, 1–697, 536 figures (photographs, plates, portrs.), 1 portr. (col.), tables. No 37 of 130 copies.

Contents: Copy no. 37 of 130 copies, label (recto of free front endpaper); tit. (p. i, with vignette, and author's inscription); imp., and vignette (p. ii); tit. (p. iii, with addresses); Promoters (p. iv); Table of conts. (p. v); General introd. (pp. 1–2); Materials and methods (pp. 3–4); How this dissertation is organised (pp. 5–6); Putting the Baudin Expedition (1800–1804) into its historical and ornithological context (pp. 7–22); The Baudin Expedition (1800–1804): Preparation, timeline, observations and collected birds (pp. 23–56); The articles (pp. 57–228); General conclusions (pp. 229–234); Appendices: Appendix 1: Catalogue of the birds collected on the Baudin expedition (1800–1804) (pp. 235–586); Appendix 2: Catalogue of birds in NMW that could have a Baudin expedition (1800–1804) origin (pp. 587–614); Appendix 3: Bibliography of prime collectors, occasional collectors and donors (pp. 615–628); Notes (pp. 629–659); References (pp. 661–692); Acknowledgments (pp. 693–696); CV (p. 697, with author portr.).

This scholarly dissertation covers the expedition undertaken by Nicolas-Thomas Baudin, which came to be known as the Baudin Expedition (1800–1804), to Australia and Timor. It contains an augmented paper by the author, entitled, 'The early Indian bird collectors: Jean Macé, collector during 1798–1803' (pp. 153–160), which was earlier published in *Indian BIRDS* (2016) 11 (1): 10–12.

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223. Jayson, Eluvathingal Antony

2018. *Factors affecting roosting ecology of birds in Kerala. KFRI Research Report No. 541*. Kerala, India, Kerala Forest Research Institute.

Pbk. (with illus., dust cover), pp. i–iii, 1–61+7, 14 col. photos.

Contents: Title (p. i); Abstract of the proposal (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); Abstract (pp. 1–3); Introduction (pp. 4–16); Methodology (pp. 16–18); Result (pp. 19–48); Discussion (pp. 49–54); Recommendations (p. 54); Acknowledgements (p. 55); References (pp. 56–61).

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224. Jayson, Eluvathingal Antony & Chandrakasan Sivaperuman.

2010. *Community ecology of tropical birds*. 1st ed. New Delhi, New India Publishing Agency.

Hbk. (15.5 x 24 cm, with illus. dust cover), pp. i–ii, iii–xvi, 1 l, 1–257, pll. 1–18 (col. photos & maps), 2 maps, 2 illus., innum., tables & graphs

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Community ecology of birds from Silent Valley National Park, and Mukkali (which lies in the buffer zone of the Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve in Attappady RF), in the Western Ghats, were studied from May 1988 to April 1993; and from Kole Wetlands from November 1998 to October 2001. Details of these studies are presented in this work.

Review: R.J. Ranjit Daniels. 2010. *Current Science* 99 (6): 828.

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PDF. Pp. 1–179, 4 maps (col.), innum., text-figs., tables, etc.

Contents: Tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); Abstract of the project (p. 3); conts. (pp. 4–6); Abstract (pp. 7–10); Introd. (pp. 11–28); Methods (pp. 29–31); Results (pp. 32–154); Discussion and recommendations (pp. 155–156); Acknowledgements (p. 157); References (pp. 158–175); References (pp. 176–179).

In this work, the authors studied the distribution, status, and habitat usage of sixteen forest owls from the southern Western Ghats in India. Their objectives were to make an inventory of the owls in the study area, to find out factors that influenced the owl distribution and abundance, and to characterise the microhabitat use by the birds.

The References section lists 237 works.

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226. Jerdon, Thomas Caverhill (1811–1872)

1841. *Catalogue of the birds of the peninsula of India arranged according to the modern system of classification: with brief notes on their habits and geographical distribution, and descriptions of new, doubtful and imperfectly described species*. 1st ed. Madras, J.B. Pharoah.

8vo. (14.0 x 22.5cm), pp. i–xxiv, 1–203. (1839).

Contents: A synoptical table of conts. (pp. 1–24); Supplement (pp. 189–201); Errata (pp. 202–203).

A letter from, 'T. C. Jardine [sic], Esq. Assistant Surgeon, 2nd Light Cavalry, forwarding for presentation a copy of his publication, entitled, "Catalogue of the Birds of the Peninsula of India,"...was read at the Meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal dat. 10 June 1840.' (Nair. 2000. *Proceedings of the Asiatic Society* 1833–1841. Vol. 4 book II pp. 1524–1525). Further, among books presented at the meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal, dat. 7 October 1840, was 'Catalogue of the Birds of the Peninsula of India, by T. C. Jerdon, Madras, 1839.' (loc. cit. p. 1547).

See Dickinson et al. 2004. *Bull. Zool. Nom.* 61 (4): 214–224; Dickinson et al. 2011. *Priority!* (p. 112.).

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227. Jerdon, Thomas Caverhill

1843. *Illustrations of Indian ornithology*. 1st ed. Madras, J. B. Pharaoh. Vol. I of IV.

Pbk. 4to (9.5 x 12 cm).

Contents: Front wrapper (green paper) with tit. (text within double-ruled border with decorative fleurons; Conts., pll. I–XII; dt., 1843.); 1 pr. I. (unnum., Introductory notice, dated, 'Nellore: November 3d, 1843.'): pl. Iv, A1–4, B1–4, pl. Iiv, C1–4, pl. IIiv, D1–4, pl. IVv, E1–4, pl. Vv, F1–2, pl. VIv, F3–4, pl. VIIv, G1–2, pl. VIIIv, H1–2, pl. IXv, H3–4, pl. Xv, I1–2, pl. XIV, I3–4, J1–2, pl. XIIv, J3–4, K1–4, 1 l (Addendum); Back wrapper (green paper) with prospectus, 'Price to subscribers' of Octavo, and Quarto sizes, 'List of subscribers' (182 names; several ordering multiple copies, resulting in a print run of at least 216), and a note 'N. B.—Only 8vo. Copies are now procurable, all the 4to. ones struck off having been subscribed for'; top edge stained red.

For general notes see Pittie (2010: 420–421).

All plate numbers in bare Roman numerals at top centre of plate.

For dating see: Cleere. 2002. *Forktail* 18: 147; Dickinson et al. 2011. *Priority!* (p. 112–113.); Pittie. 2016. *Indian BIRDS* 12 (2&3): 29–49.

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228. Jerdon, Thomas Caverhill

1845. *Illustrations of Indian ornithology*. Church Street, Vepery, India, R. W. Thorpe, Christian Knowledge Society's Press. Vol. II of IV.

8vo (6.5 x 9.75 cm).

Contents: tit. (text within decorative fleurons and single-ruled border; Conts., pll. XIII–XXV; dt., March–1845.); tit. (verso; Notice to subscribers); pl. XIIIv, A1–4, pl. XIVv, H1–2, pl. XVv, C1–4, pl. XVIv, M1–2, pl. XVIIv, D1–4, pl. XVIIIv, K1–4, pl. XIXv, N1–4, O1–4, P1–2, pl. XXv, L1–2, pl. XXIV, E1–4, pl. XXIIv, I1–2, pl. XXIIIv, G1–4, pl. XXIVv, F1–4, pl. XXVv, B1–4; top edge stained red.

"NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS. | The Publication of the 2nd Number of the *Illustrations* has been delayed | long beyond the period expected by the Author by of [sic.] the extreme slowness of | the Colourists, and partly also on account of the addition to his list of Subscri- | bers. This will it is hoped be remedied in future by the arrangements the author | has made for the continuance of the work. Plate xvii and xxii were Lithograph- | ed and Coloured in London by Messrs. Reeve and Co, to whom the publication | of the succeeding Plates will be entirely entrusted, and it is hoped that the whole | work will now be completed within a year from this time."

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For general notes see Pittie (2010: 420–421).

In my 8vo copy, Nos. [Vols.] II–IV are bound in one volume, with the title page of No. II on top as the volume's title page and front cover, and the title pages of Nos. III and IV respectively, bound in at the end comprising [substituting as] the back cover. Original back covers of all three Nos., i.e., II–IV are missing. Between the covers, just mentioned, are pll., XII–L, with their relevant letterpress, various gathered, numbered, or unnumbered. In the bound volume, No. II is slightly smaller by 2–4 mm on three edges, and so the three Nos are visually separable.

For dating see: Cleere. 2002. *Forktail* 18: 147; Dickinson et al. 2011. *Priority!* (p. 112–113.); Pittie. 2016. *Indian BIRDS* 12 (2&3): 29–49.

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229. Jerdon, Thomas Caverhill

1846. *Illustrations of Indian ornithology*. Church Street, Vepery, India, Reuben Twigg, Christian Knowledge Society's Press. Vol. III of IV.

8vo (6.5 x 9.75 cm).

Contents: tit. (text within decorative fleurons and single-ruled border; Conts., pll. XXVI–XL; dt., April, 1846.); pl. XXVIv, [1]–2, pl. XXVIIv, [3]–4, pl. XXVIIIv, [5]–6, pl. XXIXv, 1 l., unnum., pl. XXXv, 1 l., unnum., pl. XXXIV, 1 l., unnum., pl. XXXIV, 1 l., unnum., pl. XXXIIIv, 4 ll., unnum. pl. XXXIVv, 1 l., unnum., pl. XXXVv, 1 l., unnum., pl. XXXVIv, 1 l., unnum., pl. XXXVIIv, 1 l., unnum., pl. XXXVIIIv, 2 ll., unnum., XXXIXv, 1 l., unnum., XLv, 2 ll., unnum.; top edge stained red.

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An advertisement for this volume, appears on the back cover of the *Madras Journal of Literature and Science* Vol. 13, No. 31, with the front cover publication date of March, 1846, stating: "In a few Days | will be published. | *Illustrations of Indian Ornithology*. | By T. C. Jerdon, Esq. | Part 3. | The present Number contains 15 Plates, and the fourth and con- | cluding Number will, it is expected, be ready by June or July."

For general notes see Pittie (2010: 420–421).

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For dating see: Dickinson et al. 2011. *Priority!* (p. 112–113.); Pittie. 2016. *Indian BIRDS* 12 (2&3): 29–49.

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230. Jerdon, Thomas Caverhill

1847. *Illustrations of Indian ornithology*. Madras, P. R. Hunt, American Mission Press. Vol. IV of IV.

8vo (6.5 x 9.75 cm).

Contents: tit. (text within decorative fleurons border; Conts., pll. 41–50; dt., 1847.); 1 pr. l. (unnum., Introduction, undated); pl. XLIV, 1 l., unnum., pl. XLIV, 1 l., unnum., pl. XLIIIv, B1–3, pl. XXIXv, 1 l., unnum., pl. XXXv, 1 l., unnum., pl. XXXIV, 1 l., unnum., pl. XXXIV, 1 l., unnum., pl. XXXIIIv, 4 ll., unnum. pl. XXXIVv, 1 l., unnum., pl. XXXVv, 1 l., unnum., pl. XXXVIv, 1 l., unnum., pl. XXXVIIv, 1 l., unnum., pl. XXXVIIIv, 2 ll., unnum., XXXIXv, 1 l., unnum., XLv, 2 ll., unnum.; top edge stained red.

"INTRODUCTION. | It is with much satisfaction that the Author | has brought this work to a conclusion, though | so long delayed by various obstacles. Forty-seven | distinct species of Birds are represented in the | fifty plates. The great majority of them are figured | here for the first time, and either improved figures, | or different states of plumage, compose the remain- | der of the drawings. Three of the birds are from | the Himalayas, and one from Ceylon—all the rest | inhabit the peninsula of India."

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For dating see: Dickinson et al. 2011. *Priority!* (p. 112–113.); Pittie. 2016. *Indian BIRDS* 12 (2&3): 29–49.

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231. Jha, Ashish.

2020. *Conservation of endangered species—Phylogeny and population genetics of Yellow-throated Bulbul (Pycnonotus xantholaemus)*. PhD Thesis. New Delhi, Jawaharlal Nehru University.

PDF, pp. i–viii, 1–122, 25 figs. (col., photographs, text-figs.), tables.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); Certificate (p. iii); conts. (pp. v–vii); Acknowledgements (pp. 1–2); List of figs. (p. 3); List of tables (p. 4); List of abbreviations (p. 5); Thesis synopsis (pp. 6–10); List of publications (under submission) (p. 10); Field observations of Yellow-throated Bulbul *Pycnonotus xantholaemus* in Peninsular India (pp. 11–20); Evolutionary history and biogeography of the Bulbuls (Pycnonotidae) of South Asia (pp. 21–40); Species distribution model of Yellow-throated Bulbul for conservation prospects and analysis of its climatic niche in the Deccan Peninsula, India (pp. 41–55); Ecological niche differentiation of Yellow-throated Bulbul and sympatric bulbuls (pp. 56–67); Demographic history of fragmented Yellow-throated Bulbul, *Pycnonotus xantholaemus* population in Deccan Peninsula, India (pp. 68–80); Significance (p. 81); Bibliography (pp. 82–96); Field photographs (pp. 97–100; 9 col., photos); Ashish Jha CV (pp. 101+1); **Supplementary data:** Table S1: List of species, genes and accession number of the genes used in the analysis (pp. 102–106); Table S2: Morphometric measurements of the museum specimens used in PCA analysis (pp. 107–117); Table S3: State wise locations of Yellow-throated Bulbul used for the maxend modelling (pp. 118–122).

'In this thesis I present my findings on the phylogeny, climatic niche, population genetics and natural history observations of Yellow-throated Bulbul *Pycnonotus xantholaemus*. For the first time, a focused research was conducted on this rare, endemic and threatened species. Present study provides the baseline data and offers research suggestions for further studies on this species. As an outcome of this study, there is now a well supported phylogenetic hypothesis for interrelation between bulbuls of South Asia' (p. 81).

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232. Jobling, James A.

2010. *The Helm dictionary of scientific bird names: from Aalgae to Zusii*. 1st ed. London, Christopher Helm.

Hbk. (15.5 x 23.5 cm, with illus. dust-jacket), pp. 1–432.

Contents: Tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); Conts. (p. 3); Acknowledgements (p. 4); Introd. (pp. 5–15); Standard abbreviations and symbols (pp. 16–17); Conventions (p. 18); How to use this dictionary (pp. 19–25); Glossary (pp. 26–28); The dictionary (pp. 29–414); Bibliography (pp. 415–432).

'This ... work of reference lists the generic, specific and subspecific names of every form of bird in the world—some 20,000 entries in total—and provides their meanings and derivations' (Front flap of dust-jacket).

Review: Anthony Cheke. 2010. In *Ibis* 152: 853–854.

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233. Joseph, A. V., N. Chandra Mohan Reddy, Farida Tampal & B. Ravi Prasad Rao. Eds.

2016. *Andhra Pradesh biodiversity field guide*. Hyderabad, India, Andhra Pradesh State Biodiversity Board.

Pbk. (16.5 x 24 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 3–209, innum., photographs (col.), portrs. (col.), 1 map

Contents: Tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); conts. (p. 5); Message (p. 7, N. Chandra Babu Naidu); Message (p. 9, B. Gopala Krishna Reddy); What is biodiversity? (p. 11); Biodiversity in Andhra Pradesh (p. 13); Protected areas for biodiversity conservation (pp. 14–15); About the field guide (p. 16); Plants (pp. 18–107); Fungi (pp. 108–109); Animals (pp. 110–203); Endemic vascular plants of Andhra Pradesh (pp. 204–207); Threatened animals of Andhra Pradesh (pp. 208–209).

This is an attempt at collating the biodiversity of the state of Andhra Pradesh, India. The text states that there are 486 spp., of birds in the state (p. 110). The birds' section (pp. 173–193) tabulates 75 taxa under 'Terrestrial birds', and 42 taxa under 'Wetland and wetland associated birds'. The tables' columns are: Family, scientific name, common name, Telugu name, and foraging guide. 108 photographs accompany this section.

On p. 181, the first photograph is incorrectly captioned; it is a *Phylloscopus* warbler; on p. 183, the last photograph is also incorrectly captioned, and should read 'Yellow-eyed Babbler *Chrysomma sinense*'; on p. 184, the sixth photograph is repeated, and wrongly captioned.

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234. Julka, J. M. & H. S. Mehta. Ed.

2000. *Fauna of Renuka Wetland (Himachal Pradesh)*. Wetland Ecosystem Series No. 2. Kolkata, India, Director, Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (20 x 28 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–vi, 1–187, 3 ll. (col. pll.).

Contents: tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); foreword (p. iii, by J.R.B. Alfred, December 2000); conts. (pp. v–vi); introd. (pp. 1–2, by J. M. Julka); Physiography (pp. 3–5, by J. M. Julka & H. S. Mehta); Protozoa (pp. 7–9, by R.N. Mukherjee & A.K. Das); Porifera (pp. 11–12, by H.S. Mehta & R. Paliwal); Cnidaria (pp. 13–14, by J.M. Julka & R. Paliwal); Bryozoa (pp. 15–16, by J.M. Julka); Mollusca (pp. 17–20, by K. V. Surya Rao & S. C. Mitra); Oligochaeta (pp. 21–25, by J. M. Julka & R. Paliwal); Hirudinea (pp. 27–28, by Mahesh Chandra); Arachnida: Aranea (pp. 29–30, by Bijan Biswas); Crustacea: Zooplankton (pp. 31–37, by Krishnamoorthy Venkataraman); Crustacea: Decapoda (p. 39, by H. C. Ghosh); Ephemeroptera (pp. 41–43, by V.D. Srivastava); Odonata (adults) (pp. 45–53, by Arun Kumar); Odonata (larvae) (pp. 55–62, by Arun Kumar); Mantodea (pp. 63–66, by T.K. Mukherjee & M.S. Shishodia); Dermaptera (pp. 67–71, by G.K. Srivastava); Orthoptera (pp. 73–90, by M.S. Shishodia & S.K. Tandon); Aquatic and semi-aquatic hemiptera (pp. 91–96, by Animesh Bal & R.C. Basu); Aquatic coleoptera (pp. 97–103, by S. Biswas); Lepidoptera: Butterflies (pp. 105–119, by G.S. Arora); Lepidoptera (Moths) (pp. 121–130, by D.K. Mondal, S.K. Ghosh & M. Majumdar); Hymenoptera: Aculeata (pp. 131–133, by K.K. Ray & R.N. Tiwari); Diptera (pp. 135–140, by P. Parui & Manu Mukherjee); Pisces (pp. 141–149, by H.S. Mehta); Amphibia (pp. 151–161, by H.S. Mehta); Reptilia (pp. 163–168, by H.S. Mehta); Avifauna (pp. 169–176, by Anil Mahabal); Mammalia (pp. 177–186, by N.K. Sinha), 3 ll., pll.

The avifauna section lists 103 spp. (pp. 170–176), and six references (p. 176).

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235. Kalsi, Rajiv S., Suresh Chand Sharma & Janak R. Choudhary.

2019. *Birds of Haryana—a field guide*. Haryana, India, Unique Publications.

Pbk. (15.5 x 23 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–602, 600+ photographs (col., various photographers).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1, illus.); tit. (pp. 2–3, illus.); imp. (p. 4); ded. (p. 5); acknowledgments (p. 6); conts. (pp. 7–9); Foreword (p. 11, by Taej Mundkur); introd. (pp. 12–15); Using the book (pp. 16–17); Bird topography (p. 18); Ethics of birding and bird photography (pp. 19–22); Species accounts (pp. 23–580); Rare, vagrant and historical records (pp. 581–583); Glossary (pp. 584–587); Bibliography (pp. 588–591); Index of common names (pp. 592–597); Index of scientific names (pp. 598–601).

This photographic field guide to the birds of Haryana state covers 530 spp. The spp., accounts are on one or more pages per taxon, and contain information on: English and scientific names, IUCN Red List threat category, months of occurrence in Haryana, description, behaviour, voice, habitat, ID pointers, and best places to see. Fifty-one taxa are treated under rare, vagrant, and historical records. Seventy-six works are listed under references.

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236. Kannan, P.

2018. *Ornithophily: Interdependency between plants and nectar-feeding birds in western India—A monograph*. Nagercoil, India, Institute for Restoration of Natural Environment.

Pbk. (15 x 20.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–v, 1–90, 16 photographs (col.), 1 portr. (col.), 10 line drawings, tables.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); ded. (p. iv, with portr.); conts. (p. v); Acknowledgements (pp. 1–2); pref. (p. 3, by Robert B. Grubh, Editor); Abstract (pp. 4–5); introd. (pp. 6–11); Methods (pp. 12–14); Ornithophilous plants (pp. 15–45); Factors controlling bird-visits (pp. 46–54); Extent of dependency of ornithophilous flowers on birds—experimental approach (pp. 55–60); Results and analysis (pp. 61–62); Discussion and conclusions (pp. 63–80); References (pp. 81–84); Appendices (pp. 85–87); Index (pp. 88–90).

This monograph is based on the MSc Thesis of the author, who was Dr Sálím Ali's second student.

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237. Karuthedathu, Dipu

2019. *Jaegers of the Indian coast*. Indian BIRDS Monograph 2. Hyderabad, India. New Ornith Foundation.

Pbk. (21 x 28 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–32A, 190 photographs (col.), 1 portr. (col.), 3 maps (col.). Website URL: http://www.indianbirds.in/pdfs/IB_Mono2_Dipu_Jaegers.pdf.

Contents: Conts. (inside front cover); tit. (p. 1); pref. (p. 3, by author, 20 August 2019); introd. (p. 4); Status (pp. 5–7); Behaviour (p. 8); Moults, plumages, and ageing (pp. 9–13); Parasitic Jaeger (pp. 14–20); Pomarine Jaeger (pp. 21–25); Long-tailed Jaeger (pp. 26–27); A few significant observations (pp. 28–30); Summary (p. 31); Acknowledgements (p. 32); References (p. 32); About Dipu Karuthedathu (inside back cover).

This is a photographic guide to identifying the Jaegers of the Indian coast. It lists thirty-one references.

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238. Kennerley, Peter & David Pearson.

2010. *Reed and Bush Warblers*. 1st ed. London, Christopher Helm.

Hbk. (16.5 x 24 cm, cloth with reverse gold embossing on spine, illus. dust cover, by Brian Small), pp. 1–712, pll. 1–42 (col., by Brian Small), Figures 1–124, 350+ photographs (col., by various photographers), innum., range maps (col.).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3, illus.); imp. (p. 4); conts. (pp. 5–8); Foreword (p. 9, by Philip Round, dated October, 2009); Acknowledgements (pp. 10–11); Physical features and main habitat types of Eurasia (p. 12); Pacific Ocean showing location of major islands and island groups (p. 13); Provinces of China, India and Pakistan (p. 14); introd. (pp. 15–16, by Peter Kennerley, David Pearson and Brian Small, August 2009); Taxonomy, species inclusion and sequence (pp. 17–18); Genus and species accounts (pp. 19–24); Topography of a bird, terminology and glossary (pp. 25–27); Migration (pp. 28–30); Moulting strategies (pp. 31–33); Ageing (p. 34); Phylogenetic relationships as revealed by molecular analyses (pp. 35–40, by Professor Staffan Bensch); Origins, distribution and extinction of *Acrocephalus* in the Pacific Ocean (pp. 41–42); Major contributors and sources (p. 43); Colour plates (pp. 44–128); Species accounts (pp. 129–627); Appendix 1: Sources of original descriptions, type localities and synonyms (pp. 628–640); Appendix 2: Live wing lengths of selected Palearctic migrant species (pp. 641–645); Appendix 3: Principal measurements from museum specimens (pp. 646–655); Appendix 4: Origins, migration status and moulting strategies (pp. 656–658); Appendix 5: Comparative field characters of similar species (pp. 659–670); Appendix 6: Scientific names of other bird species mentioned in the text (p. 671); Appendix 7: Recent developments to 2010 (pp. 672–675); Bibliography (pp. 676–707); Index (pp. 708–712).

'This [work] represents the definitive reference work on this complex and fascinating group of birds.' The authors describe '112 species in rigorous detail, with particular emphasis placed on identification, separation of similar species and racial recognition. This is allied with detailed colour maps and a broad discussion of voice (including sonograms for almost every species), habitat, behaviour, breeding, migration strategy and taxonomy to give an authoritative and exhaustive overview of the biology of these birds. Detailed biometrics and wing-structure information provide essential guidance for ringers and a useful support to field identification, while the complex systematics of the group are discussed in an invited chapter by Staffan Bensch, who brings clarity to the changes that are transforming our understanding of the relationships between these species. The text is complemented by 42 superb colour plates and numerous line drawings by Brian Small, illustrating each species and all distinctive races. More than 350 colour photographs provide a unique additional aid to identification, capturing the character of each species and the variation within polytypic species,' (blurb on dust jacket front flap).

The work covers the following genera relevant to South Asia: *Bradypterus*, *Elaphornis*, *Locustella*, *Acrocephalus*, *Hippolais*, *Iduna*, *Phragmaticola*, *Oligura*, *Tesia*, *Urosphena*, and *Cettia*.

'This book is a giant step forward on what has gone before. It is much more than an essential toolkit for identification as even a rapid perusal of the scholarly yet readable introduction will reveal,' (p. 9, Philip Round).

Reviews: Paul Harvey. 2011. *British Birds* 104 (3): 168–170; Frank Lambert. 2012. *BirdingASIA* 17: 13.

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239. Khan, R. A.

2002. *The ecology and faunal diversity of two floodplain ox-bow lakes of south-eastern West Bengal*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 195. Kolkata, India. Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18 x 24 cm), 2 ll., pp. 1–57, 1 map, text-figs., tables.

Contents: Tit., imp., conts. (pr. II.); Introduction (pp. 1–2); Description of the study area (pp. 2–3); Material and methods (pp. 4–6); Results (pp. 7–42); Discussion (pp. 42–47); Summary (pp. 47–49); Acknowledgement (p. 49); References (pp. 49–57).

The avifauna table lists 64 spp., (pp. 39–42).

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240. Khanam, Zaheda.

2009. *Birds and animals in Mughal miniature paintings*. 1st ed. New Delhi, D. K. Printworld (P) Ltd.

Hbk. (17 x 24 cm, cloth, with gold gilded tit., on spine, and illus. dust jacket), pp., i–xvi, 1–164, pll. 1–71, 4 pll. (unnum., bis.), numerous vignettes.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i, with illus.); frontisp. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); Acknowledgement (p. v–vii); pl. (p. viii, bis); conts. (p. ix); list of illus. (pp. xi–xvi); Introduction (pp. 1–6); Fauna in Mughal paintings (pp. 7–13); Birds and animals in Akbari period (ce.1560–1605) (pp. 15–42); Birds and animals in Jahangiri period (ce.1605–1627) (pp. 43–71); Aesthetic analysis (pp. 73–144); Conclusion (pp. 145–149); Bibliography (pp. 151–160); Index (pp. 161–164).

This book is a treatise of wildlife depictions in Mughal art. The reproduction of the illustrations is sub-standard, and the work suffers from careless editing of bird names. The bibliography lists 184 works.

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241. Khanna, Vinod & Prakash Chand Tak. Eds.

2008. *Fauna of Corbett Tiger Reserve (Uttarakhand)*. Conservation Area Series, 35. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–viii, 1–230, 56 photographs (col.), maps (col.).

Contents: Title (p. i); imp. (p. ii); pref. (p. iii, authors); Acknowledgements (p. iv); conts. (pp. v–vi); Fauna of Corbett Tiger Reserve: An overview (pp. 1–31, by Vinod Khanna, Prakash Chand Tak & P. T. Bhutia); Habitat preference assessment of the tiger and its prey ungulates in the Corbett Tiger Reserve (pp. 33–61, by S. P. S. Kushwaha, Arsha Quadri, Aditya Singh & Afifullah Khan); Mammalia (pp. 63–82, by J. P. Sati & Prakash Chand Tak); Aves (pp. 83–142, by Prakash Chand Tak & J. P. Sati); Reptilia

(pp. 143–157, by Archana Bahuguna); Amphibia (pp. 159–164, by H. S. Mehta); Pisces (pp. 165–181, by D. P. Uniyal); Plant and soil nematodes (pp. 183–188, by A. N. Rizvi); Chilopoda: Scolopendromorpha (pp. 189–193, by Vinod Khanna); Insecta (various orders) (pp. 195–203, by Vinod Khanna); Insecta: Plalepidoptera (pp. 205–220, by Pramod Kumar); Bibliography on the Corbett Tiger Reserve (pp. 221–230, by Vinod Khanna, Prakash Chand Tak & P. T. Bhutia).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 83–142) comprises data from four 10-day surveys of the Zoological Survey of India teams from 2002 to 2005, with additions from other published data, and covers 685 taxa. The tabulated checklist provides information from eight surveys of different authors. Thirty-five works have been listed under references.

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242. **Khartade, Kalicharan S., C. Sudhakar Reddy, G. Sailu, J. Swamy, L. Rasingam, Chelamala Srinivasulu, Deepa Jaiswal, Deepak Ramaiyan, Farida Tampal, Karuthapandi, Shilpi Sharma, Srikanth S. Jadhav & V. Vasudeva Rao. Eds.**

2019. *Telangana State biodiversity field guide*. Hyderabad, India, Telangana State Biodiversity Board, Government of Telangana. Pbk. (17 x 24 cm, with illus., cover), 9 pr. ll., pp. 1–293, innum., photographs (col., various photographers), maps.

Contents: Tit., imp., contributors, photo contributors, conts., messages (E. S. L. Narasimhan; A. Indrakaran Reddy), foreword (Shailendra Kumar Joshi), message (P. K. Jha), pref. (Kalicharan S. Khartade), and acknowledgment (pr. ll.); What is biodiversity? (p. 1); Telangana State symbols (p. 3); Telangana State map (p. 4); Biodiversity of Telangana (pp. 5–7); Protected areas of Telangana (pp. 8–9); About the field guide (p. 10); Plants (pp. 11–138); Animals (pp. 139–182); Other invertebrates (pp. 183–194); Molluscs (pp. 195–201); Vertebrates (pp. 202–293).

This is a bare photographic guide to the fauna and flora of Telangana State, carved out of the erstwhile state of Andhra Pradesh (India). The section on birds (pp. 237–279) contains a checklist of 376 taxa, and includes the Telugu names of birds, and photographs of 278 taxa.

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243. **Koladiya, Mukesh H., Nikunj B. Gajera, A. K. Roy Mahato, V. Vijay Kumar & R. V. Asari.**

2016. *Birds of Banni Grassland*. India, The Ravi Sankaran Foundation & Gujarat Institute of Desert Ecology.

Hbk. (16.5 x 23.5 cm, with illus., cover), pp. 1–303, 2 line drawings, 275 photographs (col., various photographers), 5 portrs. (B&W, of authors), 3 maps (col.),

Contents: Illus., endpapers; half-tit. (p. 1); frontisp. (p. 2); tit. (p. 3); Message (pp. 4–5, by The Ravi Sankaran Foundation); Foreword (pp. 6–7, P. A. Azeez); Foreword (p. 9, Sudhir G. Mankad); photo (p. 10); conts. (p. 11); introd. (pp. 12–19); Methods (pp. 20–24); Detailed description and status of birds in Banni Grassland: Terrestrial birds (pp. 25–193), Aquatic birds (pp. 194–290); References (pp. 291–295); Index of common names (pp. 296–297); Index of scientific names (pp. 298–299); Author's profiles (pp. 300–301); Photo credits (p. 302); imp. (p. 303).

The bird sections contain information on: English name, scientific name, synonyms, local names, shape and size, feeding habits, habitat, breeding period, clutch size, distribution in India and elsewhere, conservation status, migratory status, period in Banni, Status in Banni Grassland, and remarks. A page is given to each of the 262 species that are listed.

Ninety-one works are listed under references.

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244. **Koli, Yogesh, Bhagyashri Parab & Pravin Sawant.**

2018. *Birdlife of Sindhudurg: A pictorial field guide*. India, Bhumi Publishing, India.

Hbk. (14 x 20.5 cm, with illus. cover, and dust cover), pp. i–xxii, 1–214, photographs (col., various), 1 map (col.), bound-in satin ribbon with paper place marker.

Contents: Tit. (p. i, illus.); imp. (p. ii); ded. (p. iii); frontisp., and conts. (p. vi–vii); foreword (p. ix, Sudhir Mungantiwar); pref. (p. x); acknowledgments (p. xi); Sindhudurg (p. xiii); Forest division Sawantwadi map (p. xiv); Descriptive parts of a bird (p. xvi); Field condition (p. xvii); Conservation: An imperative (pp. xviii–xix); Importance of this guide (p. xx); Important places for birds in Sindhudurg (p. xxi); Birdlife of Sindhudurg: Species accounts (pp. 1–204); Checklist: Bird life of Sindhudurg (pp. 205–210); Index (pp. 211–212); Note (pp. 213–214, blank).

This is a photographic guide to the avifauna of Sindhudurg District (Maharashtra state, India), and covers 247 spp. Species accounts are presented either in full-page, or half-page format per species. The information includes: English, Marathi, and scientific names, brief notes, size, status, voice, and breeding season, besides one, or more photographs. The checklist at the end of the volume lists, in four columns, family, common name, scientific name, and local name.

The imp., page informs that the text is written by Bhagyashri Parab.

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245. **Kotagama, Sarath & Gamini Ratnavira.**

2010. *An illustrated guide to the birds of Sri Lanka*. 1st ed. Colombo, Field Ornithology Group of Sri Lanka, University of Colombo.

Hbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. [I]–XX, 1–356, [357–360], frontisp. (2-page), 5 pll. (Gamini Ratnavira, full-page), pll. 1–52 (Gamini Ratnavira), several vignettes (col.), maps 1–492, figs. 1–27 (including B&W, col., maps), 2 portrs. (back cover, authors)

Contents: Quick reference to plates (Front end pps.); half-tit. [p. I]; frontisp. [pp. II–III]; tit. [p. V, with vignette]; imp. [p. VI]; ded. [p. VII, to P.B. Karunaratne, and Cedric Martenstyn]; Foreword [pp. IX–X, by Rohan Pethiyagoda, dt., 1st March, 2010]; Acknowledgements [p. XI, by Kota & Gamini, dt., 1st March, 2010]; Abbrev., symbols & definitions (p. XII); Key to entries (p. XIII); Conts. [p. XV]; Map of the world [p. XVI]; Map of the Indian Subcontinent [p. XVII]; Bird map of Sri Lanka [pp. XVIII–XIX]; pl. [p. XX]; Introd. (pp. 1–43); pll. [pp. 45–46]; Illus. (pp. 47–151); pl. [p. 152]; Descriptive text (pp. 153–324); pl. [p. 325]; Glossary (pp. 326–327); References (pp. 328–330); Sinhala nomenclature for genus names (pp. 331–333); Index of Sinhala names (pp. 334–339); Index of Tamil names (pp. 340–344); Index of English names (pp. 345–350); Index of scientific names (pp. 351–356); Advt. [p. 358]; Notes [pp. 359–360].

This work may be divided into four clear sections: Introductory pages, illustrations, descriptive text, and glossary and indices.

The introd., has several sub-headings: Identification of birds, including 7 pps., on bird topography (pp. 1–9); bird names (p. 10); identification (pp. 11–23); activity and behaviour (pp. 24–32); migration (pp. 33–38); getting started (pp. 39–43). The work is clearly slotted for both, the beginner and the professional, with notes on basic birdwatching skills, as well as deeper ornithology like migration. However, a quick glance reveals that this section is peppered with typos, e.g., the 'Map of the Indian Subcontinent' gives old names for several Indian cities, and does not show the newer states like Uttarakhand, etc.; the 'Bird map of Sri Lanka' does not explain the abbrev., in the list of places; fig. 2 (p. 3) lists "Terials" [= Tertials]; "Charadridae" [= Charadriidae], "Godwits (*Limicola*)" [= *Limosa*], Osprey (*Pernis*)" [= *Pandion*] (p. 37).

The pages with illus. (pp. 47–151) are formatted in the contemporary style of brief identification notes facing a corresponding pl., of illustrations. The information given in the brief notes comprises: plate number; serial numbers, which are renewed for each plate; English name; serial number linking the brief descrip., to the detailed descrip., section; scientific name; Sinhala name; Tamil name; size of bird; and, identification notes. The grouping of birds on the pll., differs from the grouping in the descriptive text section, quite dramatically at times. The weakest link in this work is the illus., used for identification. The artist seems to miss out on the jizz of spp., particularly with his rendition of beaks and legs. However, the frontisp., and pll., devoted to a single sp., are outstanding. I wonder whether the ID pll., were rushed.

The descriptive text section contains the following details: Serial number; English name; alternate English name; pl. number and serial number; scientific name; Sinhala name; Tamil name; distribution maps for Sri Lanka, and the world (or just the latter), with colour washes for resident, breeding, or migrant status of a sp.; size in cm; general description of bird, or sexes if dimorphic; description of bird in flight; habitat; distribution in Sri Lanka; and status. Endemic birds' distribution is depicted with a pink wash, not explained in the "Key to Entries" (p. XIII).

This work describes 492 spp., but illus., only 341, while Harrison (1999; Pittie 2010: 360) lists 426. The scientific nomenclature follows Sibley & Monroe (1990; Pittie 2010: 666); the classification follows that recommended by the Scientific Committee of BirdLife International, and the Family sequence, Dickinson (2003; Pittie 2010: 237–239).

Despite the above reservations, this is a valuable contribution to Sri Lankan ornithology in particular, and South Asian ornithology in general. My copy is autographed by senior author, dt., 20 April 2010.

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246. Kottur, Samad.

2014. *Birds of Hampi*. Karnataka, India, INTACH-Hampi-Anegundi Chapter.

Pbk. (9.5 x 19 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–xii, 1–236, 234 photos (col., by various photographers) 2 ports. (col.), 1 map (folded; endpapers).

Contents: Front cover flap (message from Narendrakumar A. Baldota); Front endpaper (map); tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Conts. (p. iii); Acknowledgements (p. iv); Foreword (p. v, by Asad Rahmani); Publishers note (sic) (p. vi, by Shama Pawar); Note on naming and classification (p. vi, by Shyamal Lakshminarayanan); Introd. (pp. vii–x); Advt. (p. xi); Parts of a bird (p. xii); How to use this book (p. xii); Species accounts (pp. 1–230); Bibliography / further reading (p. 231); Index of common English names (pp. 232–234); Index of scientific names (pp. 235–236).

This is a slim pocket field-guide. Species accounts are one to a page, with a colour photograph, and further details including: family, status, size, alternate name, scientific names, habitat, distribution, description, habits, food, nests and season, eggs, and incubation. A small 'box' is provided at the bottom of each page for a user to enter field 'Observations'.

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247. Koul, Samsar Chand.

1939. *Birds of Kashmir*. 1st ed. Srinagar, Lachman Dhar, The Normal Press.

Hbk. (12 x 17.5 cm, with tit, on cover), p. i–xvi, 1–103, 2 illus. (col., by K. J. Hopman), 8 illus. (monochr.).

Contents: Half-tit (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); pref. (pp. v–viii, by Samsar Chand Koul, Dec., 1938); Foreword (p. ix, by Cecile E. Tyndale-Biscoe, Dec. 27, 1938); conts. (pp. x–xvi); species accounts (pp. 1–96); Morning and evening songs of birds (pp. 97–99, by S. C. K., May 19th, 1937); Index (pp. 100–103).

The author's surname is spelled 'Kaul' on the title page, but as 'Koul' on the cover, on p. viii, and p. ix.

This delightful little book covers 72 spp., giving brief general notes, and the Kashmiri names in the bargain. 'The English, Latin, and Kashmiri names are given. There are short descriptions of the bird, nest and eggs, status, and local distributions, with a few personal observations and quotations from other sources. These latter are not always very apt or well chosen, and vary in antiquity from Turner and Pallas down to the present day. Though, perhaps naturally, not free from mistakes, the information

given is fairly accurate. The illustrations serve their purpose-but that of *Clamator jacobinus* seems to be a *Cuculus*,' (R.E.M., 1940. *Ibis* 82 (1): 162.).

K.J. Hopman is credited 'for the illustrations of the golden oriole, the Paradise flycatcher, the bulbul and the shrike' (p. vii); and the school drawing master for copying three illustrations (the king-fisher, the bee-eater and the hoopoe) from the sketches of E.D. Tyndale-Biscoe and those of another friend of the author's.

Review: 'R.E.M.' 1940. *Ibis* (14) 4: 161–162.

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248. Krishnan, Madhavia. (1912–1996)

2012. *Of birds and birdsong*. 1st ed. New Delhi, India, Aleph Book Company. [Editors: Shanthi Chandola, and Ashish Chandola.] Contents: Hbk. (15 x 23 cm, with illus. dust jacket, by Gumi Malhotra), pp., [1–10], 11–328, line-drawings innum. (by Soumen Chakravorty from originals of M. Krishnan).

Half-tit. (p. 1); advt. (p. 2); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); ded. (p. 5); illus. (p. 6); conts. (pp. 7–10); Foreword (pp. 11–14, by Zafar Futehally, dat. September 2011); Introd. (pp. 15–28); A note on style (pp. 29–30); Essays (pp. 31–295); Remembering Krishnan [pp. 297–306; Krishnan as I knew him. By: M. Harikrishnan (pp. 299–303); Krishnan, my grandfather and friend. By: Asha Harikrishnan (pp. 303–306)]; Acknowledgements (p. 307); Notes (pp. 308–322); Index (pp. 323–328).

Essay titles: Those were the days [pp. 31–70: The poor man's dog; The dying gladiator; Pigeon post; The Brahminy Kite; Seen through a carriage window; The shawk; Vedanthangal: oldest bird sanctuary in India; Birds from a fairy tale; Wagtails; Shower bath]; Splendour in the wild [pp. 73–88: The national bird; The Sarus; Silver hackle; The Painted Stork; The Pintail; The Spotbill; The sea kind's eyrie]; Fond recollections [pp. 89–119: Breakfast companions; The honey-suckers; The Pied Crested Cuckoo; Forty days S.I.; Little Cormorants; Escape of an adjutant; Bird of surpassing beauty; Grey-necks; India's king crows; Fond recollections]; Bird life in a city [pp. 121–156: Hoopoe; Pretty polly; Friendly hobgoblins; Mindless cruelty; The baby snatchers; The nest in the bougainvillea; An exceptional warbler; Sparrows; Mynas; Bird life in a city; Sleeping birds]; Jungle and backyard [pp. 157–204: Voices of intolerance; Whistling teals; The Crow-Pheasant; A Jekyll-and-Hyde bird; The pecking order; Pied Kingfishers; Winged pirate; Lone sentinel of the puddles; The Indian Tree Pie; Amateur assassin; The greater owls; The sentinels of death; Thuggery in the treetops; The Crested Hawk-Eagle; Rescue of a fledgling; The nest by the nest]; Birds from the countryside [pp. 205–241: Quail in the grass; The Bustard-quail; Plumes in the wind; The Common Kingfisher; Fish-owls; The Spotted Dove; Rails, crakes and waterhens; Goggle eyes; The jacanas; Waak; Siesta; Grey Shrike; The Indian Robin; Bulbul's nest; Cockneys in the country]; The ear that hears [pp. 243–273: 'Summer is icumen in'; March Roller; Did you do it?; A midday chorus; Voice of the dusk; Mynas en masse; Of birds and birdsong; The birds of peace; Bird language; Birdsong in India - the cuckoos; Birdsong in India - other birds]; Bird flight [pp. 275–295: The Green Bee-eater; White wings; Freebooters of the air; The falcons; The Whitebacked Vulture; Bird flight; Terror from the skies].

This is an anthology of the essays on birds.

Review: Aasheesh Pittie. 2013. *Indian BIRDS* 8 (2): 56.

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249. Kumar, Arun. Ed.

1997. *Fauna of Delhi. Published in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of India's independence*. State Fauna Series, 6. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Hbk. (21 x 29 cm, with illus. cover), 4 pr. ll., pp. [i–viii], 1–903, 5 pll. (col., with 32 photographs), several maps (col.), tables, text-figs.

Contents: Tit., imp., message (by Saifuddin Soz), conts. (pr. ll.); Foreword (p. i, by T. K. A. Nair, dated 21 September 1996); Pref. (p. iii, by Dr. J. R. B. Alfred); Acknowledgements (pp. v–vi, by Arun Kumar); Contributing authors (pp. vii–viii); Fauna of Delhi: An overview (pp. 1–15, by Arun Kumar); Biogeography of Delhi (pp. 17–44, by Arun Kumar & Vinod Khanna); State of forest cover (pp. 45–46, by M. S. Bisht); Territory of Delhi: A geological perspective (pp. 47–53, by Kewal K. Sharma); Invertebrata (pp. 55–144, by various authors); Insecta (pp. 145–549, by various authors); Pisces (pp. 551–651, by Akhlaq Husain); Amphibia (pp. 653–663, by Akhlaq Husain); Reptilia (pp. 665–698, by Akhlaq Husain); Aves (pp. 699–821, by P. C. Tak & J. P. Sati); Mammalia (pp. 823–839, by N. K. Sinha & J. P. Sati); Remote sensing and GIS data base for Asola-Bhatti Wildlife Sanctuary (pp. 841–851, by D. N. Pant, Jitendra Kumar & P. S. Roy); Problems and prospects in conserving Asola-Batti Wildlife Sanctuary: Some management strategies (pp. 853–866, by V. B. Sawarkar & S. A. Hussain); National Zoological Park: Pioneer in ex-situ conservation (pp. 867–870, by D. M. Singh); Environmental landmarks of Delhi and their impact on biodiversity (pp. 871–877, by Iqbal Malik); Saving Delhi's biodiversity: The role of NGOs (pp. 879–886, by Ashish Kothari & Sunita Rao); Threatened Fauna of Delhi (pp. 887–890, by Arun Kumar, J. P. Sati & Prakash Chand Tak); Faunal analysis (pp. 891–903, by J. R. B. Alfred & Arun Kumar).

The checklist of birds is primarily based on cited literature and the authors' field surveys during 1994–1995; it comprises 434 spp., and lists twenty-five references. Systematic accounts provide information on nomenclature, systematics, distribution in the Delhi region, and status.

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250. Kumar, Arun, Prakash Chand Tak & G. S. Arora. Eds.

1997. *Fauna of Nanda Devi Biosphere Reserve: A World Heritage Site*. Fauna of Conservation Areas, 9. Kolkata, India,

Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus. cover), pp. 4 ll, i–iv, 1–166+4, pll. I–IV (col.),

Contents: Tit., imp., conts. (4 ll.); Foreword (p. i, by J. R. B. Alfred); Acknowledgements (p. ii, Arun Kumar, April 1997); Contributing authors (p. iii); Fauna of Nanda Devi Biosphere Reserve: An overview (pp. 1–5, by Arun Kumar, Prakash Chand Tak & G. S. Arora); Biogeography (pp. 7–24, by Prakash Chand Tak); Annelida (pp. 31–34, by K. R. Halder & G. C. Ghosh); Arachnida: Araneae (pp. 35–39, by B. K. Biswas & A. T. Biswas); Thysanura (pp. 41–42, by A. K. Hazra); Collembola (pp. 43–44, by A. K. Hazra); Odonata (pp. 45–47, by Arun Kumar); Orthoptera (pp. 49–53, by M. S. Shishodia); Dermaptera (pp. 55–58, by G. K. Srivastava); Hemiptera (pp. 59–63, by L. K. Ghosh); Neuroptera (pp. 65–66, by S. K. Ghosh); Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera (pp. 67–88, by G. S. Arora); Trichoptera (pp. 89–90, by M. Mazumdar Choudhury); Diptera (pp. 91–96, by P. Parui & M. Mukherjee); Hymenoptera (pp. 97–104, by S. K. Gupta); Chilopoda (pp. 105–106, by Vinod Khanna); Pisces (pp. 107–108, by Akhlaq Husain); Amphibia (pp. 109–114, by Pranjalendu Ray); Reptilia (pp. 115–117, by Akhlaq Husain & Pranjalendu Ray); Aves (pp. 119–149, by Prakash Chand Tak); Mammalia (pp. 151–161, by Prakash Chand Tak); Threatened fauna of Nanda Devi Biosphere Reserve (pp. 163–164, by Arun Kumar, J. P. Sati & Prakash Chand Tak); Fauna analysis (Based on available data) (pp. 165–166, by Arun Kumar, J. P. Sati & Prakash Chand Tak); pll. I–IV.

The chapter on Aves (pp. 119–149) deals with 175 taxa. Table 4 (pp. 124–149) shows details of status, distribution, habitat, altitudes, and abundance ranking of birds in the Reserve. Six works are listed under References.

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251. Kumar, Arun, S. K. Gupta & P. Padmanaban. Eds.

2004. *Some selected fauna of Govind Wildlife Sanctuary (Uttarkashi: Uttaranchal)*. Conservation Area Series, 18. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–90, pll. I–VII (col., 36 photographs).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Acknowledgements (p. iii); conts. (p. iv); Gobind Pashu Vihar an overview (pp. 1–4, by S. K. Gupta); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 5–8, by Arun Kumar & Gaurav Sharma); Insecta: Lepidoptera (pp. 9–20, by Pramod Kumar & S. K. Gupta); Insecta: Hymenoptera (pp. 21–28, by S. K. Gupta); Chilopoda (pp. 29–31, by Vinod Khanna); Pisces (pp. 33–34, by Akhlaq Husain); Amphibia (pp. 35–36, by Akhlaq Husain); Reptilia (pp. 37–39, by Akhlaq Husain); Aves (pp. 41–54, by Prakash Chand Tak, J. P. Sati & Pramod Kumar); Mammalia (pp. 55–64, by J. P. Sati & N. K. Sinha); Summary of fauna (pp. 65–81, by); pll. (I–VII).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 41–54) records 115 taxa. The tabulated systematic list provides names of the species, status, distribution, and altitudinal range. Eight works are listed under References.

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252. Kumar, Arun, P. L. Kankane & Q. H. Baqri.

2006. *Geo-spatial atlas for the wetland birds of Thar Desert, Rajasthan*. 1st ed. Kolkata, Zoological Survey of India.

Hbk. (30 x 21 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–xii, 1–202+2, 1 ribbon book-mark, 210 photos (col., several repeated), 144 pll. (col.), 473 maps, text-figs.

Contents: Endpapers (photo); Frontisp. (photograph); Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); photo (p. iv); Foreword (p. v, by Taej Mundkur); photo (p. vi); Foreword (p. vii, by Sujit Mukherjee); photo (p. viii); Acknowledgements (p. ix, dat. June 2006); Acknowledgements for photographers (p. x, dat. June, 2006); Summary (p. xi); photo (p. xii); introd. (pp. 1–2); Study area (pp. 2–9); Methodology (pp. 10–21); Results (pp. 32–43); Species plates (pp. 44–187); References (pp. 189–190); Annexure 1: Codes for aves observation sites (p. 191); Annexure 2: Data source (p. 200); Annexure 3: Globally Threatened species vs. species under Indian WL(P) Act, 1972 (p. 200); Index of scientific names (p. 201); Index of common names (p. 202); notes [2 pp.].

‘In the present study all available records (published or otherwise) have been geo-referenced on a digitized map of Thar Desert ... up to a total of 275 geo-referenced sites’ (p. 10). 144 wetland avian taxa are listed from the portion of the Thar Desert falling in Rajasthan. The spp., pll., display three maps: two of the Thar region covered, indicating sites, and counts, respectively. The third is a map of India, showing the distribution, status, etc., of a sp., in the country. They also contain one/two photos and a col. pl., of the taxon, and notes on status, diagnostics, voice, habitat, habits, food, status and distribution, and threshold number.

The value of the work would have been enhanced had the authors given notes about taxa in the Thar region, instead of the general information, which is well known through other literature. Limiting information pertinent, and central to the work, i.e., wetland birds in the Thar Desert of Rajasthan, to numbers on a map, identifying wetlands where they occur, leaves the user with a lot of page turning for clarity and understanding. The count maps however, are a good indication of a taxon’s population at a given wetland.

The inclusion of *Chaimarrornis leucocephalus* should be viewed with care.

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253. Kumar, Arunachalam & Shivashankar M.

2014. *Birds of NITTE University campus: A pictorial hand-guide to identification of birds in the Nitte University Campus at Deralakatta & Paneer, Mangalore*. Mangalore, India, NITTE University.

Pbk. (14 x 20.5 cm, with illus., cover), 1 l., pp. I–XVI, 1–94, 92 photos (col.)

Contents: Ded. (inside front cover, with line drawing); tit. (pr. II.); introd. (pp. I–III); Birdwatching (pp. III–IV); Human society & birds (pp. V–VI); Photographing birds (pp. VI–IX); Checklist of birds of NITTE University Campus (pp. X–XVI); bird photographs

(pp. 1–88); References & Bibliography (pp. 89–94); Acknowledgements (back inside cover).

The checklist comprises 88 spp., and the references list 151 works, including online material, and published works.

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254. **Kumar, Raman, Dhananjai Mohan, Sanjay Sondhi, Taukeer Alam Lodha & Suniti Bhushan Datta.**

2018. *A preliminary checklist of the birds of Thano*. Uttarakhand, India, Uttarakhand Forest Department.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–20, 4 photographs (col., back cover), 1 map (inside back cover).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); Credits (p. ii); Author's note (p. iii–iv); Checklist (pp. 1–12); Annexure 1: Uttarakhand's Protected Areas (pp. 13–14); Ruled blank pages (pp. 15–20); Map of birding hotspots of Dehradun (inside back cover).

This is the first published checklist of the birds of Thano, listing 175 spp. The checklist is in tabular form with serial number, English name, alternate English name, scientific name, remarks, and a check box. The scientific and English names adopted for the checklist are primarily from 'The India Checklist' by Praveen et al. (2016; see below).

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255. **Kumar, S. & S. N. Rathore. Eds.**

2007. *Fauna of Pichhola Lake, Rajasthan*. Wetland Ecosystem Series No. 8. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18 x 24 cm, with illus. cover), pp. [i–iv], 1–238, innumerable col. photographs, 6 maps (col.), tables, text-figs.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Conts. (pp. iii–iv); Pichhola Lake: An overview (pp. 1–33, by N. S. Rathore & S. Kumar); Limnology (pp. 35–53, by S. Kumar & N. S. Rathore); Zooplankton (pp. 55–66, by S. Kumar & N. S. Rathore); Crustacea: Decapoda (pp. 67–69, by S. K. Ghosh); Chilopoda: Scolopendromorpha (pp. 71–73, by Vinod Khanna); Insecta: Thysanura (pp. 75–78, by A. K. Hazra & M. Biswas); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 79–83, by M. Prasad); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 85–92, by M. S. Shishodia); Insecta: Dermaptera (pp. 93–95, by G. K. Srivastava); Insecta: Dictyoptera: Blattaria (pp. 97–99, by S. K. Mandal & M. S. Shishodia); Insecta: Isoptera (pp. 101–107, by N. S. Rathore & N. Tak); Insecta: Diptera: Chironomidae (pp. 109–112, by S. Kumar); Insecta: Coleoptera (pp. 113–126, by P. Mukhopadhyay, S. K. Chakraborty, D. N. Biswas, S. K. Halder, S. K. Ghosh, P. Chakraborty & S. Sengupta); Insecta: Hymenoptera: Formicidae (pp. 127–130, by N. Tak, S. Rathore & S. Kumar); Mollusca (pp. 131–138, by S. C. Mitra, A. Dey & S. Barua); Pisces (pp. 139–166, by S. Kumar & N. S. Rathore); Amphibia (pp. 167–170, by N. S. Rathore & S. Kumar); Reptilia (pp. 171–179, by S. Kumar & N. S. Rathore); Aves (pp. 181–207, by S. Kumar & N. S. Rathore); Mammalia (pp. 209–216, by S. Kumar & N. S. Rathore); Threats and strategies for conservation (pp. 217–238, by S. Kumar & N. S. Rathore).

The chapter on birds (pp. 181–207) lists 71 spp., from direct observations of authors (1994–1997), and a list of 4 references.

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256. **Kumar, Sanjeev. Ed.**

2005. *Fauna of Sambhar Lake (Rajasthan)*. Wetland Ecosystem Series No. 6. Kolkata, India, Director, Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18 x 24 cm with illus. cover), pp. i–iv, 1–200, multiple photos (col.), maps.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii, with over pasted note); Sambhar Lake: An overview (pp. 1–42, by Sanjeev Kumar); Limnology (pp. 43–63, by Sanjeev Kumar); Zooplankton (pp. 65–81, by Sanjeev Kumar); Crustacea (pp. 83–96, by Sanjeev Kumar); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 99–106, by M. S. Shishodia); Insecta: Dermaptera (pp. 107–109, by G. K. Srivastava); Insecta: Dictyoptera (pp. 111–112, by M. S. Shishodia); Insecta: Diptera: Chironomidae (pp. 113–118, by Sanjeev Kumar); Insecta: Colcoptera (pp. 119–132, by P. Mukhopadhyay, S. K. Chakraborty, D. N. Biswas, S. K. Halder, S. K. Ghosh, P. Chakraborty & S. Sengupta); Insecta: Coleoptera: Scarabaeidae (pp. 133–139, by S. K. Chatterjee & P. Mukhopadhyay); Aves (pp. 141–150, by Sanjeev Kumar); Flamingos and breeding (pp. 151–179, by Sanjeev Kumar); Mammals (pp. 181–185, by Sanjeev Kumar); Threats and conservation Aves (pp. 187–200, by Sanjeev Kumar).

The chapter on aves (pp. 141–150), lists 71 spp., including, erroneously, the Ibisbill *Ibidorhyncha struthersii*, a bird of the Himalayan foothills. It lists 16 references.

The chapter on flamingos (pp. 151–179) deals with the biology of the flamingo with information on its breeding in the Kachchh region of Gujarat and in Sambhar Lake. It lists 225 references.

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257. **Kumar, Sanjeev.**

2009. *Fauna of Nal Sarovar, Gujarat*. Wetland Ecosystem Series No. 11. Kolkata, India, Director, Zoological Survey of India.

Hbk. (18 x 23.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–vi, 1–137, pll. 1–12, 1 map (Col., fold-out), text-figs., 1–20.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Conts. (pp. iii–iv); Pref. (pp. v–vi, by Sanjeev Kumar, dt., July, 2009); Introduction (pp. 1–6); Study area (pp. 7–18); Review of literature (pp. 18–19); Limnology (pp. 20–25); Flora (pp. 25–30); Fauna (pp. 31–99); Appendix 1: List of important wetlands in India (pp. 100–102); Appendix 2: Insecta: Heteroptera: (Aquatic and semi aquatic), by G. Thirumalai (pp. 103–112); Appendix 3: Ichthyofauna, by Deepa Jaiswal, C. A. N. Rao, Sanjeev Kumar & Hakeel Mohd. (pp. 113–128); Appendix 4: Reed dwelling avian species at Nalsarovar (pp. 129–130); Appendix 5: Passerine birds in and around the Nalsarovar wetland (pp. 130–135); Appendix 6: Mammalian species (pp. 135–137).

The chapter on birds (pp. 52–67) contains an annotated list of 146 taxa. Appendix 4 lists 27 taxa, and Appendix 5, 104.

The listing of birds in this work should be treated with care as many spp., are way out of their known range, e.g., Marbled Teal *Marmaronetta angustirostris*, and Black-necked Crane *Grus nigricollis* (p. 56). Also, the species listed as reed-dwellers on p. 130.

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258. Kumar, Sanjeev.

2013. *Faunal diversity of Khijadiya Lake and Bird Sanctuary, Gujarat—An avian community perspective*. Wetland Ecosystem Series, 15. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–193+20, pll. 1–18 (col., 176 photographs), 2 maps, figures.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (pp. iii–iv); introd. (pp. 1–7); Study area (pp. 7–13); Review of literature (pp. 13–14); Material & methods (pp. 14–15); Flora (pp. 15–16); Fauna (pp. 16–164); Threats & conservation (pp. 165–168); Summary (pp. 168–170); Acknowledgements (pp. 170–171); References (pp. 171–174); **Appendices:** Appendix 1: List of important wetlands under National Wetland Conservation and Management Programme (p. 175); Appendix 2: List of important wetlands under National Lake Conservation Programme (p. 176); Appendix 3: List of Important Bird Areas (IBAs) of Gujarat (pp. 177–178); Appendix 4: Flora of Khijadiya Bird Sanctuary, Gujarat (pp. 178–189); Appendix 5: List of fishes of Khijadiya Bird Sanctuary, Gujarat (p. 190); List of reptiles of Khijadiya Bird Sanctuary, Gujarat (p. 191); List of mammals of Khijadiya Bird Sanctuary, Gujarat (pp. 192–193); Plates (20 pp.).

The Systematic account of avian diversity of Khijadiya Lake and Bird Sanctuary, Gujarat (pp. 19–164) deals with 207 taxa. Details include: Family, scientific name, English name, references, observation localities, field identification characters, distribution, status, habit and habitat, and remarks.

A Checklist of birds of Khijadiya Lake and Bird Sanctuary, Gujarat (pp. 139–157) covers 206 taxa and provides tabulated information for each taxa on: residential status, abundance status, Khijadiya village side, Khijadiya Lake, Khijadiya Dhunav, Khijadiya Jambuda Lake, Salt Marshes and Creeks, and Khijadiya Salt Works (Salt pans).

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259. Kumar, Sanjeev & H. S. Banyal.

2018. *Faunal diversity of Kachchh Biosphere Reserve, Gujarat (Vertebrates)*. *Conservation Area Series*, 64. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–244, pll. 1–16 (87 col., photographs), 4 maps (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (pp. iii–iv); An overview (pp. 1–54); Pisces (pp. 55–65); Amphibia (pp. 67–72); Reptiles (pp. 73–88); Aves (pp. 89–205); Mammals (pp. 207–227); Plates (pp. 229–244).

The chapter on Birds (pp. 89–205) lists 298 taxa. It lists eighteen works under References. This chapter contains a Systematic List (pp. 89–101); a Systematic Account (pp. 101–180) specifying scientific name, English name, references, distribution, and remarks. Table 1 is a 'List of Aves of KBR, Gujarat with habitat as Wetland (W), Wetland Dependent (WD), Terrestrial (T)' (pp. 181–192). Table 2 gives the 'Taxonomic status of Raptors (sic) Diversity at Kachchh Biosphere Reserve, Gujarat' (p. 193). Table 3, 'Raptors at KBR with Habitat-Wise Distribution' (pp. 194–195), giving ten different habitats. Table 5, 'Conservation Status of Birds recorded from KBR, Gujarat (pp. 197–199).

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260. Kumar, Sanjeev & Padma Bohra. Eds.

2010. *Fauna of Ranthambhore Tiger Reserve, Rajasthan*. *Conservation Area Series*, 43. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–229, 85 photographs (col.), 5 maps

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (pp. iii–iv); Ranthambhore National Park: An overview (pp. 1–44, by Sanjeev Kumar & Padma Bohra); Plant and soil nematodes (pp. 45–56, by Padma Bohra & Kaiser H. Baqri); Arachnida: Scorpions (pp. 57–59, by D. B. Bastawade); Chilopoda: Scolopendromorpha (pp. 61–66, by Vinod Khanna); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 67–74, by Gaurav Sharma); Insecta: Isoptera (pp. 75–82, by N. S. Rathore & Madhumita Mandal); Insecta: Hemiptera (pp. 83–91, by G. Thirumalai); Insecta: Coleoptera: Scarabaeidae (pp. 93–118, by Ram Sewak); Insecta: Diptera (pp. 119–122, by Sanjeev Kumar); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Heterocera (pp. 123–132, by Kailash Chandra, D. K. Nema & Sanjeev Kumar); Insecta: Hymenoptera: Formicidae (pp. 133–144, by Neena Tak); Ichthyofauna (pp. 145–158, by Deepa Jaiswal, C. A. N. Rao, Sanjeev Kumar & Hakeel Mohd.); Amphibia (pp. 159–162, by Sanjeev Kumar & Shalini Gaur); Reptilia (pp. 163–179, by Sanjeev Kumar, Salini Gaur & D. Khandal); Aves (pp. 181–197, by Sanjeev Kumar & Chandrakasan Sivaperuman); Mammalia (pp. 199–220, by Sanjeev Kumar); Threats and conservation (pp. 221–229, by Sanjeev Kumar).

The chapter on Aves (181–197) lists 149 spp., from studies during November 2002 and October 2003. Twenty-one works are listed under References.

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261. Kurhade, Sudhakar.

2019. *Checklist: Birds of Ahmednagar District Maharashtra (with a brief note on natural history)*. Nasik, Maharashtra, India, Swarambha Publications.

Pbk. (13.5 x 21 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–36, 3 photographs (B&W).

Contents: Tit. (p. 1, inscribed by author); imp. (p. 2); ded. (p. 3); Acknowledgments (p. 4); Checklist of the birds (pp. 5–6); Study area (p. 6); Mountains and hills (pp. 7–9); Rivers (pp. 9–10); Geology (pp. 10–11); Climate (pp. 11–12); Irrigation (pp. 12–13); Crops (p. 13); Vegetables (p. 13); Forests (pp. 13–14); Protected areas of the district (pp. 14–15); Wild animals and birds (pp. 15–19); References (pp. 20–21); Checklist of the birds of Ahmednagar District, Maharashtra (pp. 22–36).

314 taxa are listed in the checklist, with details on family, common name, biological name, IUCN Category, status, and

relative abundance. Lists seventeen works under references.

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262. Lainer, Heinz (1943–2020) & Rahul Alvares.

2013. *Birds of Goa*. Updated and illustrated 2nd ed. Goa, India, The Goa Foundation & Department of Forests, Goa.

Hbk. (20 x 28 cm, with illus. cover; issued without dust cover), pp. i–x, 1–240, 246 photographs (col., by Rahul Alvares), 2 portrs. (col., authors, on back cover).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); conts. (pp. iv–v); Foreword (pp. vi–vii, by Richard D’Souza); Acknowledgements (p. viii, by Heinz Lainer); Pref. (p. ix, by Heinz Lainer, 6th August 2012); How to use this book (p. x); introd. (pp. 1–3); Species listing (pp. 4–198); Appendix 1: Unconfirmed records (pp. 199–201); Appendix 2: Sites to photograph birds in Goa (p. 201); Appendix 3: Gazetteer of place names (pp. 202–203); Birding around the globe (pp. 204–235); References (pp. 236–237); Index of common names of birds (pp. 238–240).

This edition updates the Goa checklist to 443 birds; the species accounts provide information on status, distribution, habitat, breeding, seasonal status, population, and when first reported. 96 works listed under references. Alvarez’s essay on birding around the globe is oddly out of place in this work.

‘The essay, *Birding around the globe* at the end of the book, and Appendix 2, are by Rahul Alvares. All other Appendices, References, etc., are by Heinz Lainer,’ (p. x).

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263. Lal, Ranjit.

2008. *Wild city: nature wonders next door*. 1st ed. New Delhi, Penguin Books.

Pbk. (11 x 17.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–viii, 1–282+2, 4 photos (B&W.)

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); Conts. (pp. vii–viii); Call of the wild (pp. 1–9); Birds (pp. 11–119); Animals (pp. 121–175); Insects (pp. 177–216); Rambles (pp. 217–282); Acknowledgements (1 l.).

Chapters in the section on birds are titled: The birder’s lament (pp. 13–18); Bedlam at dawn (pp. 18–22); Breakfast of champions (pp. 22–27); A time for song and dance (pp. 27–32); A long journey (pp. 32–40); All I want is a hole somewhere (pp. 40–44); Freelance birds of the Delhi zoo (pp. 45–48); Phantoms of the dark (pp. 49–54); Raptor! (pp. 54–61); Talking about parrots (pp. 61–66); The new colonizers (pp. 66–71); Birds of the late shift (pp. 71–75); The Paradise Flycatcher (pp. 75–80); Mynas and starlings: savoir faire in spades (pp. 80–89); Funky flamingos (pp. 90–94); Painted Storks: the delightful duffers (pp. 94–98); Pond birds (pp. 98–102); Feather fantastic (pp. 102–107); Beautiful and bizzare: Singapore’s Jurong Bird Park and Night Safari (pp. 107–119).

The section entitled Rambles too has essays with bird notes: Quiet neighbours (pp. 219–224); The ridge (pp. 225–229); Birds of the Buddha Jayanti park (pp. 229–233); Barrage birds (pp. 234–238); Sultanpur’s story (pp. 239–242); Birding in Goa (pp. 243–247); Gulls on the river (pp. 247–250); ... After the downpour (pp. 265–269); ... Man gave names to all animals (pp. 274–277); Small miracles (pp. 278–282).

Insightful, humorous essays on the author’s encounters with urban (New Delhi) wildlife.

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264. Lalthanzara, H. & Raju Kasambe.

2016. *Popular birds of Mizoram*. Guwahati, Assam, India, Scientific Book Centre.

Pbk. (13.5 x 21 cm, with illus. cover), 4 ll., pp. i–xvi, 4 line drawings (col.), 1–124, 218 photographs (col., various), 3 portrs. (col.), 2 maps (col.).

Contents: Tit., (inscribed by the second author), imp., ded. (portr.), conts. (pr. ll.); Acknowledgements (p. i); pref. (p. ii, by authors, 20.10.2015); How to use this book (pp. iii–iv); Glossary and description of body parts (pp. v–viii); parts of a bird (p. ix); Birding ethics and photography (pp. x–xi); Mizoram at a glance (pp. xii–xiii); Useful organisations (pp. xiv–xv); Species accounts (pp. 1–109); Bibliography (pp. 110–111); Index of Mizo name (pp. 112–114); Index of common name (pp. 115–118); Index of scientific name (pp. 119–121); Notes (pp. 122–124, blank); About the authors (back inside cover).

This slim photographic field guide covers 208 taxa, and lists 37 works in its bibliography. Species accounts provide Mizo, English, and scientific names, size, identification, habit, and habitat of each species.

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265. Lamba, B. S.

1987. *Fauna of Nanda Devi National Park (Mammals and birds)*. Fauna of Conservation Areas, 1. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–vi, 1–60, pll. I–XIV (col., 29 photographs).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); pref. (p. iii); Acknowledgements (p. iv); conts. (p. v); The part (pp. 1–22); Appendix I: Mammals (pp. 22–25); Appendix II: Birds (pp. 25–36); pll. I–XIV.

The section on birds (pp. 25–36) lists 80 taxa, giving details of family, scientific name, English name, references to previous works, and altitudinal distribution.

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266. **Lamba, B. S.**

1987. *Fauna of Corbett National Park (Mammals, birds & reptiles)*. Conservation Area Series, 2. Calcutta, Zoological Survey of India.

PDF, pp. i–vi, 1–86, 19 ll., 58 photographs (col.), 2 maps.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); pref. (p. iii); Acknowledgements (p. iv); conts. (p. v); The park (pp. 1–6); Fauna (pp. 6–8); Appendix I: Mammals (pp. 8–18); Appendix II: Birds (pp. 19–81); Appendix III: Reptiles (pp. 82–86); Plates.

The work lists 354 taxa of birds, providing brief information on nomenclature, scientific name, English name, status, and distribution.

Birds in several photographs are misidentified.

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267. **Le Grand, Gérald W.**

2001. *Paul Barruel: Artiste et naturliste 1901–1982*. 1st ed. France, Editions de la Girafe.

Pbk. (20 x 25.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–192, 37 pll. (col.), 50 line drawings, 64 photographs (mostly B&W).

Contents: Line drawing (p. 1); half-tit. (p. 3); tit. (p. 5); quotes (p. 6); Préambule (pp. 7–8, by Marcel S. Jacquat); Préface (pp. 9–12, by Christian Jouanin); Avant-propos (pp. 13–16, by Gérald Le Grand); Premières voies (pp. 17–36); Le naturaliste (pp. 37–68); Le professionnel (pp. 69–114); La Plénitude (pp. 115–154); La nature a toujours raison (pp. 155–170); Un dernier mot (pp. 171–172); Remerciements (pp. 173–174); Bibliographie chronologique (pp. 175–190); Table des matieres (p. 191); imp. (p. 192).

This is a biography, in French, of Paul Barruel, with some stunning plates of his paintings from his field notebooks. It is relevant to South Asian ornithology because he illustrated Sálim Ali's (1962) *The Birds of Sikkim* (Pittie 2010: 42–43), and was one of the artists for Ali & Ripley's (1968–1974) ten-volume *Handbook* (Pittie 2010: 53–60).

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268. **Lederer, Roger J.**

2019. *The art of the bird: The history of ornithological art through forty artists*. 1st ed. Chicago, USA, The University of Chicago Press.

Hbk. (24.5 x 28 cm, with illus. cover, and dust cover), pp. 1–224, innum. pll. (col., various artists).

Contents: Illus., endpapers (both); half-tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); tit. (p. 3); conts. (pp. 4–5); introd. (pp. 6–11); Flemish baroque artists 1580–1700 (pp. 12–27); Early English artists 1626–1716 (pp. 28–43); Natural history 1680–1806 (pp. 44–61); Before ecology (pp. 62–81); Early scientific illustration (pp. 82–101); In the Age of Darwin (pp. 102–117); Art and science overlap (pp. 118–143); Broader appeal (pp. 144–171); Bird art supports birds (pp. 172–195); Ornithological art expands (pp. 196–217); Bibliography (pp. 218–219); Index (p. 220–222); Credits (pp. 223–224).

This sumptuous, and broad review of ornithological art includes several artists relevant to the ornithology of South Asia: Lady Elizabeth Symonds Gwillim 1763–1807 (pp. 70–75), Elizabeth Gould 1804–1841 (pp. 96–101), Edward Lear 1812–1888 (pp. 106–109), Joseph Wolf 1820–1899 (pp. 110–113), William Matthew Hart 1830–1908 (pp. 114–117), and John Gerrard Keulemans 1842–1912 (122–125). Ninety-seven works are listed in the bibliography.

Lederer errs in his caption of the illustration on p. 65, of the 'Small Green-billed Malkoha', when he states, 'This is a misidentification: it is actually a blue-faced malkoha'. Those are just old and new English names for *Phaenicophaeus viridirostris*.

Review: Clemency Fisher. 2021. *Archives of Natural History* 48 (1): 195–196.

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269. **Lederer, Roger & Carol Burr.**

2014. *Latin for bird lovers: Over 3,000 bird names explored and explained*. 1st ed. London, UK, Timber Press.

Hbk. (16.5 x 22.5 cm, with illus. cover; issued without dust cover), pp. 1–224, replete with dated col. illus.

Contents: Illus. endpapers (both); half-tit. (p. 1); frontisp. (p. 2); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); ded. (p. 5); conts. (pp. 6–7); Pref. (p. 8); How to use this book (p. 9); A short history of binomials (pp. 10–11); Latin for bird lovers (pp. 12–14); An introduction to the A–Z listings (p. 15); main part (pp. 16–219; covers Latin names, genus profiles, famous birders, and bird themes); Glossary (pp. 220–221); Bibliography (p. 222); Credits and acknowledgements (p. 23); illus. (p. 224).

Lists more than 3,000+ scientific names. It also delves into bird behaviour and reveals the fascinating discoveries of ornithologists (back cover blurb).

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270. **Legge, W. Vincent. (1841–1918)**

1878. *[Birds peculiar to Ceylon]*. Bound, unpublished typescript with descriptions and 39 watercolours.

'A bound typescript with 39 original watercolours of the birds of Ceylon each with its description in typescript ... Attributing the original watercolors to Keulemans is more problematical. They are not signed by him and most extant

Keulemans' originals are signed. Upon examination, they appear in most instances to be the models for the lithographs, however there are obvious as well as subtle differences. After consulting with a variety of people, a variety of opinions surfaced. To the eye of an ornithologist, the originals appear a little amateurish and slightly wrong - a beak too big, and an eye too oval. The lithographs correct these errors and show a sophistication in execution and understanding of bird anatomy and behavior. Keulemans' great grandson said it is possible they were done by Keulemans but are "patterns," or sketches roughly and quickly done to provide a guide for the colorists. The other possibility is that the author did them himself or had a local artist create them in the field. Whoever did them, they were prized by the owner who bound them plus their typescript descriptions, in full deep green crushed morocco with ornamental gilt panels, broad gilt side borders, and gilt emblematic tooling on the spine. Given the way it is bound, it is not too much of a stretch to suppose it was the property of the author ... The manuscript in typescript was purchased by the Museum of Natural History, Los Angeles County, through the good offices of Ed N. Harrison, founder of the Western Foundation for Vertebrate Zoology and member of the Board of Governors of the Natural History Museum in 1974.'

—Donahue, Katherine E. S., 2001. Before and after manuscript and watercolors; print and lithographs. In: Burlingham, C., & Whiteman, B., (eds.). *The world from here: Treasures of the great libraries of Los Angeles*. Los Angeles, USA: UCLA Grunwalk Center for the Graphic Arts. Pp.?

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271. Legge, William Vincent.

1878–1880. *A history of the birds of Ceylon*. 1st. London, Published by the author. 3 vols., bound as two.

See Pittie (2010: 488–489).

Bibliographic details of my re-bound 2-volume set:

Bookplate of T. H. Newman Bequest 1944 to the Avicultural Society. Perhaps related to (?) 'Newman, Messrs. W., Calcutta, Care of Messrs. Harraden & Co., Hill Place, W' from the 2nd subscription list (p. 3). Vols. I and II are bound together as one, and vol. III is the second volume, in which all the pll., are bound in at the end, arranged in the order described in the 'List of plates' (p. xlii).

Volume I: Royal 4to, pp. i–xlv, 1–4, 1–2, 1 l. (map, col.), 1 l. (wood-cut), 1–730, wood-cuts [1–11].

Contents: Bookplate: 'T. H. Newman Bequest 1944 | The Avicultural Society' (pasted on front pastedown of endpaper); tit. (p. i, dated 1880); imp., and vignette (p. ii); ded. (p. iii); pref. (pp. v–vi, by W. V. Legge, Aberystwith, September 2, 1880); introd. (pp. vii–xxviii, by W. V. L.); Systematic index (pp. xxix–xli); List of pll. (p. xlii; numbered I–XXXIV only here, but see below); List of woodcuts (p. xliii; numbered only here); Errata et corrigenda (p. xlv); Dates of publication and contents of parts (pp. xlv–xlv); Subscription list (pp. 1–4; accounting for 247 copies, and including the 179 copies of the 'original subscribers'); List of original subscribers (pp. 1–2; accounting for 179 copies); map (col., *recto*); Explanatory drawing of crow (wood-cut, *verso*); Birds of Ceylon (pp. 1–730).

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Volume II: Royal 4to, pp. 731–1237, 33 pll. (col., lithographs; see below), 1 pl. (col., chromolithograph, unsigned).

Contents: Birds of Ceylon (pp. 731–1207); Appendix I (pp. 1209–1223); Appendix II (pp. 1224–1225); Index (pp. 1227–1237); 34 unnumbered lithographic plates (all on *recto*; numbered only on p. xlii of volume I as I–XXXIV). In my copy, between pp. 910–911, are two stubs on which are pasted two landscape format faded monochrome photographs (20 x 15 cm); both face p. 910. A third photograph is left loose. All three have slightly differing versions (in placement of words) of the following penciled text on their reverse, 'Sooty Terns (*Sterna fuliginosa*) | Ascension Island | April 29, 1881 | Photo by W. A. Lewis.'

Signature collation: 5B–5H4 5I4 5K–5U4 5X–5Z4 6A–6H4 6I4 6K–6U4 6X–6Z4 7A–7H4 7I4 7K–7S4 7T2.

Notes: Pll. I–XXXIV are on un-numbered pages. Pll. I–XXII, XXIV–XXXI, XXXIII by John Gerrard Keulemans, XXIII by Alfred William Strutt, and XXXII by Joseph Smit. Pl. XXXIV is unsigned.

For dating see: Dickinson et al. 2011. *Priority!* ... Northampton, UK: Aves Press Limited. (p. 117.).

An inexplicable entry in Ferguson & Ferguson (1881) implies that all the three volumes were published by 1879 (see below).

Reviews: W.T. Blanford. 1879. *Proceedings of the Asiatic Society of Bengal* 1879 (2): 33–62 (February 1879); A.O. Hume. 1879. *Stray Feathers* 7 (6): 471–472, *Stray Feathers* 8 (2–5): 404–405; R.B. Sharpe. 1879. *Nature* XIX (492): 505–506 (03 April 1879); Anonymous. 1881. *Nature* XXIV (601): 3 (05 May 1881). doi: <https://doi.org/10.1038/024003a0>; Anonymous. 1881. *Annals and Magazine of Natural History* (Ser. V) VII (XL): 344–345; A.M. Ferguson & J. Ferguson. (eds.) 1881. *The Ceylon directory calendar and compendium of useful information*. Colombo, Sri Lanka: Ceylon Observer. [p. 48]; M. Lord. 2007. *BirdingASIA* 8 (December): 84–89. See also: Anon. [2020.] Soffer Ornithology Collection Notes. Website URL: <https://www.amherst.edu/library/archives/holdings/soffer/l#c9>. [Accessed on 05 December 2020.]

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A second edition was published in 1880–1881, with an additional 'Appendix III'.
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272. Leisler, Bernd & Karl Schulze-Hagen.

2012. *The reed warblers: diversity in a uniform bird family*. 1st ed. The Netherlands, KNNV Publishing & Max Planck Institute of Ornithology.

Hbk. (21 x 28 cm, with illus. cover; issued without dust cover), pp. 1–328, innum. line drawing (B&W, David Quinn), 216 photographs (col.), 7 portr. (col.), text-figs., maps.

Contents: Illus., endpapers (both different); half-tit. (p. 1); frontisp. (p. 2); tit. (p. 3); conts. (pp. 4–7); pref. (pp. 8–9, by Martin Wikelski); Introducing the reed warblers (pp. 10–25); Systematics - relationships and diversification in the family of acrocephalid warblers (pp. 26–53); Habitat characteristics (pp. 54–71); Foraging, diet, and habitat use (pp. 72–87); Integrated ecomorphology – challenges and solutions (pp. 88–103); Competition and coexistence (pp. 104–117); A song worth warbling (pp. 118–137); Reed warblers reproduced (pp. 138–159); Coping with the Cuckoo's trickery (pp. 160–177); A battle of the sexes (pp. 178–201); Warblers on the move and in moult (pp. 202–227); Our Island home (pp. 228–245); A life of change – population and conservation issues (pp. 246–265); Ecological equivalents and convergence (pp. 266–279); Postscript (pp. 280–287); Acknowledgements (pp. 288–289); References (pp. 290–315); Index (pp. 316–327); Colophon (p. 328).

This 'panoramic and penetrating' work on reed warblers is one of the finest monographs I have come across. It is 'scholarly, yet readable and beautifully produced. A model of natural history writing and publishing' (Tim Birkhead).

Review: Mark Collinson. 2012. *British Birds* 105 (9): 546–547.

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273. Mahabal, Anil S. Ed.

2004. *Fauna of Pench National Park (Maharashtra)*. Conservation Area Series, 20. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–312, pll. I–VIII (col., 15 photographs), 1 map.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); Pench National Park: An overview (pp. 1–7, by Anil S. Mahabal); Mammalia (pp. 9–60, by M. S. Pradhan); Aves (pp. 61–92, by Anil S. Mahabal); Reptilia (pp. 93–122, by M. S. Pradhan); Amphibia (pp. 123–127, by Satish S. Kamble); Pisces (pp. 129–139, by B. E. Yadav); Mollusca (pp. 141–158, by S. G. Patil); Crustacea: Cladocera (pp. 159–174, by P. D. Rane); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 175–206, by P. P. Kulkarni, M. Prasad & S. S. Talmale); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 207–225, by P. P. Kulkarni & M. S. Shishodia); Insecta: Mantodea (pp. 227–232, by P. M. Sureshan, H. V. Ghate & C. Radhakrishnan); Insecta: Aquatic and semi-aquatic Hemiptera (pp. 233–250, by G. Thirumalai, R. Suresh Kumar & R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera: Grypocera (pp. 251–274, by R. M. Sharma & C. Radhakrishnan); Chilopoda: Centipede (pp. 275–283, by B. E. Yadav); Scorpionida, Araneae and Solifugi (pp. 285–312, by D. B. Bastawade); pll. (I–VIII).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 61–92) lists 170 species, and tabulates the following information: Ali & Ripley's *Handbook* number, name of species, common name, status, food habit, locality, distribution, and breeding season. Seventeen works are listed under References.

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274. Mahabal, Anil S. Ed.

2005. *Fauna of Nathsagar Wetland and Jaikwadi Bird Sanctuary (Maharashtra)*. Wetland Ecosystem Series No. 7. Kolkata, India, Director, Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18 x 24 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–iv, 1–291, 22 photographs (col.), text-figs., 1 map.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); Nathsagar wetland and Jaikwadi Bird Sanctuary—An overview (pp. 1–5, by Anil S. Mahabal); Hydrobiological investigations (pp. 7–62, by S. G. Patil); The freshwater Ostracoda (pp. 63–75, by S. G. Patil & S. S. Talmale); Cladocera: Crustacea (pp. 77–99, by P. D. Rane); Freshwater Mollusca (pp. 101–114, by S. G. Patil & Ramakrishna); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 115–127, by P. P. Kulkarni & S. S. Talmale); Aquatic and semiaquatic Hemiptera (Insecta) (pp. 129–136, by G. Thirumalai, R. M. Sharma & K. Valarmathi); Pisces (pp. 137–143, by B. E. Yadav); Reptilia (pp. 145–154, by M. S. Pradhan); Amphibia (pp. 155–159, by S. S. Kamble); Aves (pp. 161–181, by Anil S. Mahabal); Mammalia (pp. 183–191, by M. S. Pradhan).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 161–181) lists 81 spp., along with their English names, status, abundance, and distribution in wetland area. It lists twenty-one references.

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275. Mahabal, Anil. Ed.

2005. *Fauna of Melghat Tiger Reserve*. Conservation Area Series, 24. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18 x 23.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–vi, 1–500, 7 pll., (col., with 20 photographs), 1 map (col.).

Contents: Tit. p. i; Imp. p. ii; Conts. [p. iii–iv]; An overview (pp. 1–10, by Anil Mahabal); Mammalia (pp. 11–113, by M. S. Pradhan); Aves (pp. 115–163, by Anil Mahabal); Reptilia (pp. 165–221, by M. S. Pradhan); Amphibians (pp. 223–230, by

Satish S. Kamble); Pisces (pp. 231–296, by B. E. Yadav); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 297–316, by P. P. Kulkarni & M. Prasad); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 317–340, by P. P. Kulkarni & M. S. Shishodia); Insecta: Hemiptera (aquatic and semi aquatic) (pp. 341–357, by G. Thirumalai & R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Homoptera: Aphidoidea: Aphids (pp. 359–368, by P. P. Kulkarni); Insecta: Diptera: Cecidomyiidae (Gallmidges) (pp. 369–375, by R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Lepidoptera (Rhopalocera and Grypocera) (pp. 377–400, by R. M. Sharma & C. Radhakrishnan); Chilopoda: Scolopendridae (pp. 401–410, by B. E. Yadav); Arachnida: Scorpionida and Solifugale (pp. 411–419, by D. B. Bastawade); Arachnida: Araneae (spiders) (pp. 421–435, by D. B. Bastawade); Freshwater Mollusca (pp. 437–449, by S. G. Patil); Cladocera: Crustacea (pp. 451–500, by P. D. Rane).

The list of birds in Aves (pp. 115–163) contains 263 species; and lists twenty-four references.

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276. Mahabal, Anil S. Ed.

2006. *Fauna of Tadoba-Andhari Tiger Reserve (Maharashtra)*. Conservation Area Series, 25. Kolkata, India, Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18 x 24 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–iv, 1–309, 15 col. pll., (33 photographs), 1 map, text-figs., tables.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); Imprint (p. ii); Conts. (pp. iii–iv); An overview (pp. 1–9, by Anil S. Mahabal); Mammalia (pp. 11–63, by M. S. Pradhan); Aves (pp. 65–98, by Anil S. Mahabal); Reptilia (pp. 99–127, M. S. Pradhan); Amphibia (pp. 129–135, by Satish S. Kamble); Pisces (pp. 137–160, by B. E. Yadav); Mollusca (pp. 161–176, by S. G. Patil); Crustacea: Cladocera (pp. 177–196, by P. D. Rane); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 197–226, by P. P. Kulkarni, M. Prasad & S. S. Talmale); Insecta: Mantodea (pp. 227–232, by P. M. Sureshan, H. V. Gahate & C. Radhakrishnan); Insecta: Aquatic and semi-aquatic Hemiptera (pp. 233–253, by G. Thirumalai, R. M. Sharma & M. P. Sreedharan Namboodiri); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera: Grypocera (pp. 255–277, by R. M. Sharma & C. Radhakrishnan); Chilopoda: Centipede (pp. 279–282, by B. E. Yadav); Scorpionida, Aranea and Solifugi (pp. 283–309, by D. B. Bastawade).

192 spp., of birds are listed (pp. 69–97), and thirteen works in references (pp. 67–68).

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277. Mahabal, Anil S. Ed.

2009. *Fauna of Bhimashankar Wildlife Sanctuary (Maharashtra)*. Conservation Area Series, 42. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–284, 18 photographs (col.), 2 maps

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); An overview (pp. 1–16, by Anil Mahabal); Mammals (pp. 17–64, by Anil Mahabal); Aves (pp. 65–182, by Anil Mahabal & Sachin R. Patil); Reptilia (pp. 183–191, by M. S. Pradhan & Sanjay Thakur); Amphibia (pp. 193–198, by Satish S. Kamble); Pisces (pp. 199–214, by B. E. Yadav & S. S. Jadhav); Arachnida: Scorpiones (pp. 215–222, by D. B. Bastawade); Chilopoda: Scolopendromorpha: Scolopendridae (pp. 223–230, by B. E. Yadav); Odonata (pp. 231–250, by P. P. Kulkarni & S. S. Talmale); Mantodea (pp. 251–255, by S. S. Jadhav); Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera and Grypocera (pp. 257–262, by R. M. Sharma); Cladocera: Crustacea (pp. 263–272, by P. D. Rane); Mollusca (pp. 273–284, by S. G. Patil).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 65–182) is the result of surveys by the first author during 29–31 May 1979 and 17–22 November 2005, and the second author during 31 July–3 August 2005. It lists 236 taxa of which 110 were observed by the authors, while the rest are compiled from published works. A table provides Ali & Ripley's *Handbook* number, taxa details, common name, residential status, and food habits of taxa. Systematic accounts include the following information: Scientific name, English name, references to previous works, status and distribution, locality, habits and habitats, food, and breeding season. Under references, twenty-five works are listed.

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278. Mahabal, Anil & R. M. Sharma. Eds.

2012. *Fauna of Maharashtra*. State Fauna Series, 20. Part 1. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–480, pll. I–VIII (col., 48 photographs), 2 maps (col.)

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); An overview (pp. 1–19, by Anil Mahabal & R. M. Sharma); Mammalia (pp. 21–145, by M. S. Pradhan & S. S. Talmale); Aves (pp. 147–188, by Anil Mahabal, Satish Pande, Pranav Pandit & Aditya Ponkshe); Reptilia (pp. 189–238, by Gouri Dasgupta, B. H. C. K. Murthy & Sujay Raha); Amphibia (pp. 239–246, by A. D. Padhye & H. V. Ghate); Freshwater fishes (pp. 247–367, by A. K. Karmakar, B. E. Yadav, N. Bairagi, A. Das, P. K. Banerjee & S. S. Jadhav); Marine and estuarine fishes (pp. 369–480, by R. P. Barman, S. S. Mishra, S. Kar, P. Mukherjee & S. C. Saren).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 147–188) deals with 556 taxa. Table 1 provides a list of the taxa with information on food, breeding season, and specimens in the Z.S.I.'s Pune collection. Seventy-three works are listed under References. Table 2 lists the avian diversity in Maharashtra, and Table 3 is a list of the endemic birds of Maharashtra.

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279. Mahabal, Anil & Prakash Chand Tak.

2002. *Status and review of the Western Tragopan *Tragopan melanocephalus* (J. E. Gray) in India*. 1st ed. Kolkata, Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk (18.5 X 24 mm, with illus. cover), 4 pp., pp. 1–19+1, 2 maps

Contents: Tit., imp., conts. (4 pp.); pp. 1–19.

A general account of *Tragopan melanocephalus*, covering taxonomy, distribution, ecology, behaviour, and, conservation and management.

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280. Majumdar, S. C. & A. Dey.

2007. *Studies on some ethnomedicinal crustaceans, fishes, reptiles, birds and mammals in relation to their usage as drugs among the tribals of Sundarban, West Bengal, India*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 274. Kolkata, India. Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (16.5 x 24.5 cm), 2 pr. ll., pp. 1–51.

Contents: Tit, imp., Conts. (pr. ll.); Introduction (p. 1); Material and method (pp. 2–5); Result and discussion (pp. 5); Crustacea (pp. 5–13); Fishes (pp. 13–16); Reptiles (pp. 17–26); Birds (pp. 26–40); Mammals (pp. 40–50); Implications for medical practice (pp. 50–51); Acknowledgements (p. 51); References (p. 51).

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281. Mallalieu, Mark.

2008. *Kathmandu bird report 2004–2006*. 1st ed. Kathmandu, Nepal, Bird Conservation Nepal.

Pbk. (14.5 x 21.5, with illus. cover), pp. 1–56, 2 col. photos (covers, by Neil Bowman), 14 line drawings (by Dave Farrow, Ren Hathway, Phil Jones, Mike Parker, Craig Robson, Steve Rooke, Jan Wilczur, and James Wolstencroft).

Contents: Imprint (inside front cover); Conts. (p. 1); Acknowledgements (p. 1); Introduction to bird watching in the Kathmandu valley (pp. 2–3, by Hem Sagar Baral); Review of 2004–2006 (p. 4); Classified records for 2004–2006 (p. 5); Systematic list (pp. 6–49); Other species recorded in the Kathmandu valley (pp. 50–55); Contributors (p. 56); References (pp. 56–57).

An annotated checklist. 'All species known to have occurred in a wild state in the Kathmandu valley during 2004–2006 are included in the systematic list ... Species not recorded during 2004–2006, but which have occurred since 1900 (other than as very rare visitors or vagrants) are also listed ...' (p. 5).

Reviews: Dave Buckingham. 2009. *BirdingAsia* 13: 117.

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282. Manakadan, Ranjit, J. C. Daniel (1927–2011) & Nikhil Bhopale.

2011. *Birds of the Indian Subcontinent: a field guide (based on Salim Ali & Dillon Ripley's 'Pictorial Guide')*. 1st ed. Mumbai & Delhi, India, Bombay Natural History Society & Oxford University Press.

Hbk. (14.0 x 22.0 cm, with illus. cover), pp. [i–v], vi–xii, 1–409+[8]+[3], pll. 1–112 (col., by John Henry Dick), 53 pll. (col., miscellaneous artists), 1 portr. (p. xi, b&w), 3 portrs. (back cover, col.), 1 map (col.).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i, illus., by S. Ramesh); Illus. notes (p. ii); tit. (p. iii, illus., by S. Ramesh); imp. (p. iv); Conts. (p. v); Col. illus. (p. vi); Pref. (pp. vii–viii); map (p. viii); Acknowledgements (pp. ix–x); Salim Ali and S. Dillon Ripley - an introduction (pp. xi–xii); Introd. (p. 1); Explanations and abbreviations (pp. 2–4); Glossary (pp. 5–6); Bird topography (p. 7); Family accounts (pp. 8–27); Species accounts with pll. (pp. 28–385); Plates index of group and stand-alone names (pp. 386–387); Page index of common names (pp. 388–401); Page index of scientific names (pp. 402–409); 'Notes' (8 pp.), Advt. (3 pp.).

This work covers 1,251 spp., of birds, and another 100-odd taxa are discussed without illus. The sequence of families follows, in general, Rasmussen & Anderton's (2005) *Birds of South Asia: The Ripley guide* (Pittie 2010: 609–611).

'This guide is a revised edition of the *Pictorial guide to the birds of the Indian Subcontinent* first published by Salim Ali and S. Dillon Ripley in 1983 ... [which] had 95 colour plates by ... John Henry Dick [Pittie 2010: 65–66]. The current edition ... uses these plates with additional drawings of raptors in flight, besides a few other species or races. Other changes in the plates include placement of flight diagrams next to illustrations of species and changes in the background and layout of illustrations. With these additions, the guide now has 112 plates ... Another major change in the guide is that there are species descriptions to aid field identification ...' (p. 1).

Review: Tony Gaston. 2012. *Ibis* 154 (4): 910–911.

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283. Manakadan, Ranjit & Asif N. Khan.

2020. *Birds of the Indian Subcontinent—in a nutshell. Buceros* 24 (2&3; Special Issue): 1–79.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. 1–79, 16 pll. (col., from earlier works, duly acknowledged), 44 photographs (col., various photographers), 6 maps (col.).

Contents: About ENVIS (inside front cover); Editorial and imp. (p. 3); box about nomenclature, and acknowledgements (p. 4); The Indian Subcontinent (p. 6); Profile of the avifauna of the Indian Subcontinent (pp. 7–16); Biogeographic regions of the Indian Subcontinent and their avifauna (pp. 17–64); Waterbirds of the Indian Subcontinent (pp. 65–67); Bird migration in the Indian Subcontinent (pp. 68–73); Literature sources (pp. 74–79); advt. (inside back cover).

'This BNHS-ENVIS document provides a general account of the birds of the Indian Subcontinent, and mainly caters to amateur birders rather than ornithologists. However, in the absence of such information on Indian birds in a nutshell, ornithologists too may find it of value. We trust this publication will be welcomed by the Indian birders, naturalists, conservations

and wildlife managers.

To provide a quick overview of the article, it begins with a general profile of the birds of the Indian Subcontinent, dealing with the makeup of its native avifauna. This is followed by discussions on the migrants from the Palearctic (or other regions) that winter in the Subcontinent, with some accounts on the movement patterns of resident birds. The next section is a treatise on the different biogeographic regions of the Subcontinent (with pictures of the regions) and their characteristic avifauna (with plates of the representative species of the regions). Waterbirds of the Subcontinent and the major wetland habitats that support them appear separately. The article concludes with an account of the migration and movement patterns of the birds in the Indian Subcontinent. As this is primarily a semi-popular article, in-text citations are avoided; however, region-wise literature sources are provided at the end of the article', (Editorial).

Two 'chapters' of this 'article' have sub-headings under them with related text: Profile of the avifauna of the Indian Subcontinent (pp. 7–16) has: residents, winter migrants, summer (breeding) migrants, altitudinal migrants, and loca (seasonal) migrants; and Biogeographic regions of the Indian Subcontinent and their avifauna (pp. 17–64) has: Trans-Himalayas, Himalayas (including the Northeast Hills), Indo-Gangetic Plains, desert and semi-arid zone, central highlands, Deccan Plateau, and the southern peninsular plains, Western Ghats, Eastern Ghats, coasts, and islands.

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284. Mandal, A. K. & N. C. Nandi.

1989. *Fauna of the Sunderban mangrove ecosystem, West Bengal, India.* Conservation Area series, 3. Calcutta, Zoological Survey of India.

4 ll., pp., 1–136, pll. 1–15 (50 photographs: 10 col., 40 B&W.), 1 map.

Contents: Tit., imp., Editor's pref. (by Asket Singh); conts. (pr. ll); introd. (p. 1–2); A brief review of the previous work (pp. 2–5); Physical features, soil, climate, etc. (pp. 5–11); Vegetation (pp. 11–13); Fauna (pp. 13–79); Adaptations (pp. 79–84); Discussion (pp. 85–94); Acknowledgements (pp. 94–96); References (pp. 97–116); plates 1–15.

The avian species list (pp. 45–53) contains 163 taxa.

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285. Manga, V. A.

2017. *One tree, many birds: The beautiful relationship between silent trees and chirpy birds.* 1st ed. Hyderabad, India, Published by the author.

Hbk. (21.5 x 28 cm, with illus. cover; issued without dust cover), pp. 1–220, 207 photographs (col., by author).

Contents: Endpapers (photographs, different); tit. (p. 1, illus.); acknowledgement (p. 2); conts. (p. 3); introd. (pp. 5–16); Nectarivores (pp. 17–105); Frugivores (pp. 106–161); Palmyra Palm tree (pp. 162–205); Asian Palm-Swifts and Palmyra Palm (pp. 206–210); That's not all (pp. 211–217); List of common and scientific names of birds (pp. 218–219); photo (p. 220); quote (p. 221).

A sumptuously illustrated photographic coffee-table book about birds and their habitat, showcasing the author's engagement with patch birding, and birds that inhabit a few flowering, and fruiting trees for feeding and nesting.

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286. Manga, V. A.

2019. *Birds of Greater Hyderabad—birdwatchers' delight.* Hyderabad, Published by author.

Hbk. (16.5 x 24 cm, with illus. cover; issued without a dust cover), pp. 1–340, 500+ photographs (col., by the author), 1 portr. (col., author, back cover).

Contents: Endpapers (photographs, different); imp., and ded. (verso of front free endpaper); tit. (p. 1); conts. (pp. 2–12); introd. (pp. 13–31); Large waders: herons, storks, flamingo, spoonbill, and ibises (pp. 32–67); Waterfowl: geese and ducks (pp. 68–84); Birds of prey: The diurnal raptors (pp. 85–110); Groundfowl (pp. 111–119); Rails (pp. 120–125); Waders or shorebirds (pp. 126–160); Gulls and terns (pp. 161–169); Sandgrouse and pigeons (pp. 170–177); Parrots (pp. 103–180); Cuckoos, malkoha and coucal (pp. 181–187); Owls (pp. 188–190); Swifts (pp. 191–193); Kingfishers, bee-eaters, roller, hoopoe and hornbill (pp. 194–205); Barbet and woodpeckers (pp. 206–210); Passarines (sic) (pp. 211–335); Index of common names (pp. 327–332); Index of scientific names (pp. 332–335); Bibliography (p. 336); Appendix I (pp. 337–338); Appendix II (p. 338); photograph (p. 339); acknowledgement (p. 340).

A delightful introduction to 226 spp., of birds of Hyderabad city (Telangana, India), with simple text, and illustrated with the author's photographs.

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287. Mannar, Harikumar & Sreekumar B.

2020. *An atlas of the birds of Kottayam.* Kerala, India, Kerala Forests and Wildlife Department (Social Forestry, Kottayam Division), Kottayam Nature Society, Bird Count India.

PDF. (with illus., cover), pp. 1–108, 199 maps (col.)

Contents: Map (col., inside front cover); tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); Acknowledgements (p. 3); introd. (p. 4) Kerala Bird Atlas Project (p. 4); Methodology (pp. 5–6); Analysis (p. 7); How to read the visualisations (p. 8); Species accounts (pp. 9–108).

This atlas, the result of citizen science, lists 199 taxa of birds from Kottayam District, Kerala (India). Each taxon is given half a page, and the following details are provided: English name, scientific name, bar graphs show trends of presence in percentage of lists across the district where the taxon is present in dry and wet seasons, and a seasonality graph that is sectorised week-wise, indicating the percentage of lists where a taxon is present in all eBird complete lists from Kottayam District since 2015 uploaded for that particular week of a year.

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288. Mannar, Harikumar & Sumesh P. B.

2016. *An atlas of the birds of Alappuzha*. Thrissur, Kerala, India, Birders Ezhupunna, Bird Count India, College of Forestry KAU, Indian Bird Conservation Network, Kerala Forest Department, eBird, Kerala Birder, Kottayam Nature Society.

Pbk. (with illus., cover), pp. 1–95, 171 maps (col.).

Contents: Map of Alappuzha District (col., inside front cover); Tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); pref. (pp. 3–4, by M. D. Madhusudan); Acknowledgements (pp. 5–6); introd. (p. 7); Kerala Bird Atlas Project (p. 7); Methodology (pp. 8–9); Planning and tracking (p. 9); Analysis (p. 10); How to read the visualisations (pp. 10–11); Results overview (p. 11); Conclusion (p. 12); species accounts (pp. 13–95).

This atlas, the result of citizen science, lists 170 taxa of birds from Alappuzha District, Kerala (India). Each taxon is given half a page, and the following details are provided: English name, scientific name, Malayalam name, col., photograph, a map of the district divided into coloured cells, the intensity of the colour being proportional to the percentage of lists from the cell where the species has occurred. Line graphs show trends of the species in percentage of lists across the district where the taxon is present in dry and wet seasons. The seasonality graph is sectorised week-wise and indicates the percentage of lists where a species is present in all eBird complete lists from the district since the 2010 uploaded for that particular week of a year.

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289. Mason, A. Stuart.

1992. *George Edwards: The Bedell and his birds*. 1st ed. London, Royal College of Physicians of London.

Pbk. (21 x 27 cm, with illus. cover in col.), pp. i–viii, 1–71,

Contents: About front cover (inside front cover); tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Portr. (p. iii; monochr., of George Edwards); Acknowledgements (p. iv); Conts. (p. v); List of illus. (p. vi); Foreword (pp. vii–viii, by Sir Cyril Clarke); Introduction (pp. 1–2); Edwards' early life (pp. 3–9); The Royal College of Physicians (pp. 10–17); The book published (pp. 18–25); The world of collectors (pp. 26–30); Work with the physicians (pp. 31–38); Changing times (pp. 39–40); The last books (pp. 41–49); The Bedell resigns (pp. 50–56); The last years (pp. 57–59); Edwards' words (pp. 60–65); Notes and references (pp. 66–71).

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290. Mathew, John.

2011. *To fashion a fauna for British India*. PhD Thesis. Department of the History of Science, Cambridge, Massachusetts, Harvard University.

PDF: Pp. i–xiv, 1–400, several photographs and figures.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); copyright (p. ii); To fashion a fauna for British India: Abstract (pp. iii–xii); quote (p. xiii); Table of contents (p. xiv); introd. (pp. 1–18); Early European encounters with Indian fauna (pp. 19–104); A curator and a journal (pp. 105–153); The other Presidencies and a translocate the other way (pp. 154–198); A museum, a zoo, a vertebrate fauna and the rise of Malacology (pp. 199–268); The *Fauna of British India* and its non-government counterpart, *The Journal of the Bombay Natural History Society* (pp. 269–323); Concluding the *Fauna* (pp. 324–346); Conclusion (pp. 347–351); Epilogue (pp. 352–358); Appendix 1: Memorandum for the establishment of a museum in Madras (pp. 359–360); Appendix 2: Memorial for handbooks of Indian zoology (pp. 361–365); Bibliography (pp. 366–400).

This thesis examines the development of taxonomic zoology in India between the late eighteenth and mid-twentieth centuries, coincident with British colonisation of the region. In so doing it draws into question conventional dyads of colonising and colonised nations, with the vectors of influence deterministic in one direction by suggesting that the flow of information was in fact reciprocal, if asymmetrical. Central to my argument is the 'translocate', a term I have coined (drawing on classical cytogenetics), a specialist expatriate whose long years in the area of colonisation renders him dually authorized to speak for it, both to the 'native' voice as well as to the distant expert who has never laid eyes on the region in question. While early natural history studies of the region involve French 'voyageurs-naturalistes' who come for relatively brief periods to the Indian subcontinent as part of larger expeditions to return material to the central dispatching body, 'Le Museum National d'Histoire Naturelle', thus contributing to France's domination in the field during the early nineteenth century, it is functionaries from or working for Great Britain, first employees of the East India Company and after the Great Mutiny of the 1857, of the Crown, that come to dominate the study of the increasingly specialised disciplines of zoology, botany and geology over the following century, in the main, however, depending upon their knowledge of the ground under study at first hand. The translocate will continue to play a pivotal role in writing the zoological treatises of South Asia; however, along with the metropolitan taxonomist in London, the voice of the 'native' gets belatedly recognised in the twentieth century in a complex and involved series of taxonomic texts grouped under the heading *The Fauna of British India* even as the region under thrall makes its own concerted bid for independence, an ultimately successful effort that will lead to the formation of the independent nations of India and Pakistan, (p. iii).

This PhD dissertation is a comprehensive history of Indian natural history and its perpetrators from the nineteenth century to the very early twentieth century. It deserves to be published as a book.

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291. **Matthew, Koyapillil Mathai (1930–2004) Ed.**

1994. *A handbook of the Anglade Institute of Natural History Shembaganur*. Madras, St Joseph's College.

Pbk. (14 x 22 cm, with illus. cover), pp., i–x, 1–155, 10 col. photos, 12 B&W photos, 4 maps (1 fold.), tables, line-drawings, text-figs.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); ded. (p. iii); Conts. (pp. iv–vi); Pref. to second ed. (pp. vii–ix, by K. M. Mathew, S.J.); Pref. (to the first ed.) (p. x); Introd. (pp. 1–3); Part one: Infrastructure (pp. 3–54); pll. (unnum pp.); Part two: Environment division (pp. 55–91); Part three: Kodaikanal (pp. 92–116); Part IV - Appendices (pp. 117–154); Epilogue (p. 155).

The museum of the Institute holds a collection of 200 bird skins (made during 1951–1966) from the Palni Hills (p. 9). A short note on the birds of Palni Hills, and this collection is on pp. 9–11, with a list of 17 references to avian literature. Appendix IV (a) (pp. 133–141) is a 'Classified checklist of birds', listing 154 taxa. Appendix IV (b) (pp. 142–144) is a 'Classified checklist of eggs of birds', listing 31 taxa.

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292. **McGhie, Henry A.**

2017. *Henry Dresser and Victorian ornithology: Birds, books and business*. UK, Manchester University Press.

Hbk. (17 x 24 cm, with illus., cover; issued without dust cover), i–xxiv, 1–341, pll. 1–62 (col., photographs and art work, by various), 72 figs., 38 images.

Contents: Endpapers (illus., both); half-tit. (p. i); ded. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); conts. (p. v); List of illustrations and tables (pp. vii–viii); Pref. (pp. xix–xx); Acknowledgements (pp. xxi–xxiii); Conventions (pp. xxiv); Introduction (pp. 1–14); Family background and early life (pp. 15–33); Texas: the big adventure (pp. 34–48); Settling down to business (pp. 49–63); Early exploits in ornithological society (pp. 64–77); Collecting (pp. 78–97); Discovering the birds of Europe, I (pp. 98–117); Discovering the birds of Europe, II (pp. 118–136); Making *The Birds of Europe* (pp. 137–152); A central figure: society life in the 1870s (pp. 153–168); The 1880s: the rise of rivalry (pp. 169–184); The 1890s: the continuing rise of the British Museum (Natural History) (pp. 185–201); Working independently, 1900–5 (pp. 202–217); The grand finale: producing *Eggs of the Birds of Europe* (pp. 218–231); Time for a change (pp. 232–249); Legacies (pp. 250–267); Appendix 1. Birds mentioned in the text (pp. 268–278); Appendix 2. Birds named by Henry Dresser (pp. 279–280); Appendix 3. Birds named after Henry Dresser (p. 281); Appendix 4. Publications based on Henry Dresser's collections, 1985–2017 (pp. 282–284); References (pp. 285–318); Bibliography of Henry Dresser (pp. 319–327); Index of birds (pp. 328–331); General index (pp. 332–341).

This is a definitive biography of Henry Dresser, and covers ground of his involvement with birds of the Indian Subcontinent, and Tibet.

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293. **McM., A. C., = McMaster, Andrew Cooke. (1824–1879)**

1875. *Vagrancy acts*. Trimulgherry, Military Prison Press (For private circulation).

23.5cm, 2 pr. ll., 1–259. [Ripley & Scribner].

Contents: Tit. (p. i); Index (pp. iii–iv; dated Secunderabad, 25th March, 1875); The birds we see in our rides about Ootacamund (pp. 1–5, by Vagrant); "I have never seen any pretty birds on the hills" (pp. 5–12, by Vagrant); The game birds of the hills (pp. 12–17, by Vagrant); The Wood or Solitary Snipe (pp. 17–22, by Vagrant); The Jack Snipe (pp. 22–28, by Vagrant); To the editor of the South of India Observer (pp. 29–30, by Smooth-Bore); Pin-tailed Snipe: To the editor of the South of India Observer (pp. 30, by Smooth-Bore); Pea-fowl (pp. 31–43, by Vagrant); Jungle Fowl (pp. 43–54, by Vagrant); Spur-fowl (pp. 54–58, by Vagrant); Yellow birds (pp. 58–62, by Vagrant); The birds of an Indian cantonment (pp. 70–76, by Vagrant); Hog-deer and hog-hunting (pp. 77–86, by Vagrant); Bustard and antelope (pp. 86–96, by Vagrant); 1812–1868 A Bangalore race meet: More than half a century ago (pp. 96–105, by Vagrant); The horses used in India (pp. 105–115, by Vagrant); Burma ponies (pp. 116–132, by Vagrant); Notes on Indian field sports (pp. 132–159, by Vagrant); Archery (pp. 159–162, by Vagrant); Wild animals and birds (pp. 162–168); Central Indian birds (pp. 168–180); Indian and Burman ornithology (pp. 181–195); **Part II**. Notes on mammals of India (pp. 196–259).

McMaster wrote in the popular media of his times under the pseudonym, 'Vagrant', hence the eponymous title. He was frequently quoted by his contemporaries, and successive ornithologists.

'Includes essays on game birds and hunting of birds.' [Ripley & Scribner]

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294. **Mehta, H. S. Ed.**

2005. *Fauna of Western Himalaya (Himachal Pradesh)*. Himalayan Ecosystem Series, 2. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–359+16, pll. I–XVI (col., 61 photographs), 1 map.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); Fauna of Western Himalaya—An overview (pp. 1–6, by H. S. Mehta); Protozoa (pp. 7–22, by A. K. Das & Piyali Chattopadhyay); Plants and soil nematodes (pp. 23–37, by Qaiser H. Baqri & Padma Bohra); Mollusca (pp. 39–51, by K. V. Surya Rao & S. C. Mitra); Annelida: Oligochaeta (pp. 53–60, by J. M. Julka & R. Paliwal); Insecta: Collembola (pp. 61–65, by A. K. Hazra, G. P. Mandal & S. K. Mitra); Insecta: Thysanura (pp. 67–73, by A. K. Hazra, M. Biswas & K. Mitra); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 75–98, by Arun Kumar); Insecta: Plecoptera (pp. 99–101, by B. C. Das); Insecta: Dermaptera (pp. 103–110, by G. K. Srivastava); Insecta: Hemiptera (pp. 111–139, by L. K. Ghosh, B. Biswas & M. Ghosh); Insecta: Coleoptera: Scarabaeidae (pp. 141–155, by Kailash Chandra); Insecta: Lepidoptera (pp. 157–180, by G. S. Arora, H. S. Mehta & V. K. Walia); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Geometridae (pp. 181–190, by V. K. Walia); Insecta: Hymenoptera: Ichneumonidae (pp. 191–220, by J. K. Jonathan); Chilopoda: Scolopendridae (pp. 221–229, by Vinod Khanna); Ticks (Acari: Ixodida) (pp. 231–236, by A. K. Sanyal & S. K. De); Soil dwelling mites (pp. 237–246, by A. K. Sanyal & D. Sengupta); Parasitic mite (pp. 247–254, by A. K. Sanyal & A. K. Bhattacharya); Pisces (pp. 255–268, by H. S. Mehta & Devi Prasad Uniyal); Amphibia (pp. 269–274, by H. S. Mehta); Aves (pp. 275–339, by Anil Mahabal); Mammals (pp. 341–359, by S. Chakraborty, H. S. Mehta & S. Pratihari).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 275–339) deals with 447 taxa. Table 1 contains the district-wise distribution (12 districts), status and altitudinal range of birds of Himachal Pradesh. Twenty-six works are listed under References.

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295. Mehta, H. S. Ed.

2008. Faunal diversity of Simbalbara Wildlife Sanctuary (Himachal Pradesh). Conservation Area Series, 41. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–118, 26 photographs (col.), 1 map.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); Acknowledgements (p. iv); Fauna of Simbalbara Wildlife Sanctuary—An overview (pp. 1–12, by H. S. Mehta, Avtar Kaur Sidhu & Indu Sharma); Annelida: Oligochaeta (pp. 13–19, by Rahul Paliwal); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 21–28, by R. Babu & H. S. Mehta); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 29–40, by Kamal Saini & H. S. Mehta); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera (pp. 41–47, by Avtar Kaur Sidhu & H. S. Mehta); Pisces (pp. 49–57, by Indu Sharma & H. S. Mehta); Amphibia (pp. 59–64, by H. S. Mehta & Indu Sharma); Reptilia (pp. 65–79, by Uttam Saikia & D. K. Sharma); Aves (pp. 81–101, by D. K. Sharma, R. Paliwal & Uttam Saikia); Mammalia (pp. 103–118, by D. K. Sharma & Uttam Saikia).

The chapter on Aves (81–101) deals with 210 taxa in a tabular form, with details on *Handbook* No., systematic list, earlier records, season, status, and habitat. Twenty-six works are listed under References.

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296. Mehta, H. S. & S. K. Gupta. Ed.

2007. Faunal diversity western Doon Shiwaliks. Kolkata, India, Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18 x 24 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–vi, 1–113, pll. I–XII (col.), 1 col.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); Imprint (p. ii); Ack. (p. iii, by H. S. Mehta & S. K. Gupta); Conts. (p. v); Faunal diversity western Doon Shiwaliks—an overview (pp. 1–4, by H. S. Mehta & S. K. Gupta); Profiles of the area (pp. 3–4); Nematoda (pp. 5–12, by Anjum Nasreen Rizvi); Arthropoda: Centipedes (Chlopoda: Scolopendromorpha) (pp. 13–17, by Vinod Khanna); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera (pp. 19–34, by Parmod Kumar); Insecta: Hymenoptera: Aculeata (pp. 35–39, by S. K. Gupta); Fishes (Pisces) (pp. 41–59, by D. P. Uniyal & H. S. Mehta); Amphibia (pp. 61–64, H. S. Mehta & D. P. Uniyal); Reptilia (pp. 65–72, by Archana Bahuguna & P. Padmanaban); Aves (pp. 73–97, by Prakash Chand Tak & J. P. Sati); Mammalia (pp. 99–113, by J. P. Sati & Prakash Chand Tak).

The chapter on Aves contains an annotated list of 147 spp., and a bibliographic list of seven references.

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297. Mehta, Prachi, Shyamkant Talmale, Vaishnavi Kulkarni & Jayant Kulkarni.

2020. All about owl diet. A technical manual for identification of prey remains from owl pellets in Central India. Mumbai & Pune, India, Raptor Research and Conservation Foundation & Wildlife Research and Conservation Society.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–xiii, 1–216, 479 photographs (col., by several photographers), 24 illustrations.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Foreword (pp. iii–iv, by David H. Johnson, June 2019); Foreword (p. v, by Bruce G. Marcot, June 2019); Acknowledgements (pp. vi–viii, authors, November 2020); conts. (pp. ix–xi); Layout of the manual (pp. xii–xiii); Owls and their prey (pp. 1–32); Pellet analysis (pp. 33–45); Mammals in owl diet (pp. 47–153); Reptiles in owl diet (pp. 155–162); Birds in owl diet (pp. 165–175); Amphibians in owl diet (pp. 177–182); Arthropods in owl diet (pp. 185–197); Quick keys and bones charts (pp. 199–206); Statistical analysis procedures (pp. 209–216).

'This manual is based on the data generated from [a] long-term ecological research on the endangered Forest Owlet *Athene blewitti* in Central India. Along with the Forest Owlet, we are also studying the ecology of Spotted Owlet *Athene brama*, Jungle Owlet *Glaucidium radiatum*, Indian Scops Owl *Otus bakkamoena*, Indian Eagle Owl *Bubo bengalensis*, Mottled Wood Owl *Strix ocellata*, Brown Fish Owl *Ketupa zeylonensis* and Barn Owl *Tyto alba* in the project area. The descriptions of owl species and their prey are, therefore, specific to the Central Indian Landscape' (p. x).

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298. Meppayur, Sathian & Mujeeb P. M.

2020. An atlas of the birds of Kozhikode. Kerala, India, Kerala, India, Kerala Forests and Wildlife Department (Social Forestry,

Kozhikode Division), Malabar Natural History Society, Bird Count India.

PDF. (with illus., cover), pp. 1–130, 243 maps (col.)

Contents: Map (col., inside front cover); tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); Acknowledgements (p. 3); introd. (p. 10) Kerala Bird Atlas Project (p. 4); Methodology (pp. 5–6); Analysis (p. 7); How to read the visualisations (p. 8); Species accounts (pp. 9–130).

This atlas, the result of citizen science, lists 243 taxa of birds from Kozhikode District, Kerala (India). Each taxon is given half a page, and the following details are provided: English name, scientific name, bar graphs show trends of presence in percentage of lists across the district where the taxon is present in dry and wet seasons, and a seasonality graph that is sectorised week wise, indicating the percentage of lists where a taxon is present in all eBird complete lists from Kozhikode District since 2015 uploaded for that particular week of a year.

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299. Michel, Ellinor. Ed.

2016. *Anchoring biodiversity information: From Sherborn to the 21st century and beyond*. Bulgaria, PenSoft Publishers. ZooKeys 550 (Special Issue).

Pbk. (16.5 x 24 cm, with illus., cover), pp. 3 ll., 1–320, 87 figs. (col., pll., B&W pll., photographs, text-figs.), tables.

Contents: Advt. (inside front cover); half-tit, tit. (with B&W, portr.), imp., conts. (3 pr. ll.); **Editorial:** Anchoring biodiversity information: From Sherborn to the 21st century and beyond (pp. 1–11, by Ellinor Michel); **Sherborn—person, scientist, bibliographer and context:** Charles Davies Sherborn and the “Indexer’s Club” (pp. 13–32, by Neal L. Evenhuis); A magpie with a card-index mind—Charles Davies Sherborn 1861–1942 (pp. 33–56, by Carolyn Shindler); Naming and necessity: Sherborn’s context in the 19th Century (pp. 57–69, by Gordon McOuat); Sherborn’s foraminiferal studies and their influence on the collections at the Natural History Museum, London (pp. 71–81, by C. Giles Miller); ‘Where is the damned collection?’ Charles Davies Sherborn’s listing of named natural science collections and its successors (pp. 83–106, by Michael A. Taylor); **Reinforcing the foundations of ornithological nomenclature:** Filling the gaps in Sherborn’s and Richmond’s historical legacy of bibliographic exploration (pp. 107–134, by Edward C. Dickinson); Sherborn’s influence on *Systema Dipteorum* (pp. 135–152, by F. Christian Thompson & Thomas Pape); Current tools and innovations for bringing legacy information into the Modern Age: Unlocking *Index Animalium*: From paper slips to bytes and bits (pp. 153–171, by Suzanne C. Pilsch, Martin R. Kalfatovic & Joel M. Richard); Sherborn’s *Index Animalium*: New names, systematic errors and availability of names in the light of modern nomenclature (pp. 173–187, by Francisco Welter-Schultes, Angela Görlich & Alexandra Lutze); Digitising legacy zoological taxonomic literature: Processes, products and using the output (pp. 188–206, by Christopher H. C. Lyal); The use and limits of scientific names in biological informatics (pp. 207–223, by David Remsen); The List of Available Names (LAN): A new generation for stable taxonomic names in Zoology? (pp. 225–232, by Miguel A. Alonso-Zarazaga, Daphne Gail Fautin & Ellinor Michel); **The future of biological nomenclature:** A common registration-to-publication automated pipeline for nomenclatural acts for higher plants (International Plant Names Index, IPNI), fungi (Index Fungorum, MycoBank) and animals (ZooBank) (pp. 233–246, by Lyubomir Penev, Alan Paton, Nicola Nicolson, Paul Kirk, Richard L. Pyle, Robert Whitton, Teodor Georgiev, Christine Barker, Christopher Hopkins, Vincent Robert, Jordan Biserkov & Pavel Stoev); Surfacing the deep data of taxonomy (pp. 247–260, by Roderic D. M. Page); Towards a Global Names Architecture: The future of indexing scientific names (pp. 261–281, by Richard L. Pyle); **Appendix:** Manual for proposing a Part of the List of Available Names (LAN) in Zoology (pp. 283–298, by Miguel A. Alonso-Zarazaga, Philippe Bouchet, Richard L. Pyle, Nikita Kluge & Daphne Fautin); Index (pp. 299–320); Author guidelines (back inside cover).

These are the proceedings of the symposium that was held to commemorate the 150th anniversary of Charles Davies Sherborn, the founding father of biodiversity informatics. Dickinson’s paper (pp. 107–134) deals with the legacies of Sherborn’s and Charles Wallace Richmond’s works, the status of contemporary ornithological knowledge of names, dating, and synonymies in view of digital access to dated works, and the way forward. He mentions the bibliographic problems posed by T. C. Jerdon’s *Catalogue*.

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300. Mierow, Dorothy. (1921–2000)

1988. *Birds of the central Himalayas: An ecological approach*. Bangkok, Craftsman Press.

Pbk. (19 cm with illus. cover), pp. [i–viii], 1–202, innum., illus. (col., by the author, and various; includes col., and B&W photographs).

Contents: Tit. (p. i, illus.); imp. (p. ii); conts. (pp. iii–iv); pref. (pp. v–vii); introd. (pp. 1–8); The chicken’s relatives (pp. 9–24); Water birds and marsh birds (pp. 25–58); Birds around our farms and villages (pp. 59–92); Birds that weave and sew and some birds that are heard but seldom seen (pp. 93–128); From tropical forests to the mountains (pp. 129–152); Birds of the mountains (pp. 153–176); Sanitation department, predators and birds of the night (pp. 177–192); Suggested readings (p. 193); Altitudinal range of some forest birds (p. 194); Index (pp. 195–202).

A popular account of the birds of the central Himalayan range, in Nepal.

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301. Mikkola, Heimo.

2012. *Owls of the World: a photographic guide*. New York, Firefly Books.

Hbk. (16.5 x 24 cm, with illus., cover; issued without dust cover), pp. 1–512, 750 photographs (col., various photographers), 249 maps (col.).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1, illus.); frontisp., & tit. (pp. 2–3); imp. (p. 4, illus.); conts. (pp. 5–11); Acknowledgements (p. 13); introd. (p. 15); What makes an owl? (pp. 16–23); The nature of owls (pp. 24–56); Evolution of owls (p. 57); Distribution and biogeography (p. 57); Taxonomy and DNA sequencing (pp. 58–59); Owls and humans (pp. 60–68); Extinct owls (p. 69); 'Owlaholics' (p. 70); Owl associations and global research organisations (p. 71); Species accounts (pp. 72–503); Further reading (p. 504); Photographic credits (pp. 505–506); Index (pp. 507–512).

This amazing photographic resource on the identification of owls covers 249 spp. The species accounts include the following information, besides one or more photographs: English name, scientific name, macro-morphometrics, range map indicating distribution in summer, winter, and during breeding, brief sections on identification, call, food and hunting, habitat, status and distribution, geographical variation, and similar species.

See also: Inskipp, T.P., Collar, N.J., Pilgrim, J.D., & Mahood, S.P., 2013. *BirdingASIA* 20: 53–63.

Reviews: Frank Lambert. 2012. *BirdingASIA* 18: 9–10; R. Schofield. 2013. *British Birds* 106 (5): 292–293.

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302. Milsom, Tim.

2020. *Henry Seebohm's ornithology: His collecting, field observations, publications and evolutionary theories*. Limited to 125 copies, of which this is #55. Bristol, UK, Published by the author.

Pbk. (21 x 30 cm, with illus., cover), pp. i–xvi, 1–357+1 l., pll. 1–16 (col.), 35 text-figs. (B&W portrs., un-col., litho., maps, tables, etc.).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); ded. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv, with '55' inserted as the number of the copy at hand, from a print run of 125); conts. (p. v); List of coloured illustrations (p. vi); List of text figures (pp. vi–vii); Notes on format and abbreviations (p. vii); introd. (p. viii–x); Sources (pp. xi–xiii); Acknowledgements (pp. xiv–xv); portr. (p. xvi, B&W, Henry Seebohm); Beginnings: A refuge in natural history (pp. 1–9); blank (p. 10); The collecting life (pp. 11–132); A maverick in ornithology (pp. 133–233); blank (p. 234); Grandee and benefactor (pp. 235–250); Retrospect (pp. 251–271); blank (p. 272); 16 pll. (8 unnum., ll.); Appendix 1: Notes on Henry Seebohm's ornithological excursion to Brunswick & Pomerania in 1882 (pp. 273–276); Appendix 2: Notes on Henry Seebohm's ornithological excursion to the Danube in 1883 (pp. 277–282); Appendix 3: A list of the ornithological books and pamphlets by Henry Seebohm with bibliographic notes (pp. 283–287); blank (p. 288); Appendix 4: List of papers, notes and published letters on ornithology by Henry Seebohm (pp. 289–292); Appendix 5: Bird species and subspecies named after Henry Seebohm with notes on their taxonomic histories (pp. 293–296); Appendix 6: Bird species and subspecies named by Henry Seebohm with notes on their taxonomic histories (pp. 297–302); Notes and references (pp. 303–334); Alphabetical list of references (pp. 335–344); General index (pp. 345–349); Index of places (pp. 350–351); Bird species index (pp. 352–357).

'This is the first in-depth assessment of Henry Seebohm's ornithological achievements and his place in the history of ornithology.' It attempts 'to show that Henry Seebohm was a central figure in the early development of the new evolutionary ornithology.' [From blurb on back cover.]

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302A. Mishra, Charudutt, Aparajita Datta & M. D. Madhusudan.

2004. *The high altitude wildlife of western Arunachal Pradesh: a survey report. CERC Technical Report No. 8*. Mysore, India, Nature Conservation Foundation; International Snow Leopard Trust; Wildlife Conservation Society (India Program).

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–v, 1–49, innum., photographs (col.), tables, maps.

Contents: Tit. (p. I); Abstract (p. i); conts. (p. iii); Acknowledgements (p. v); A biological expedition in the high altitudes of western Arunachal Pradesh, eastern Himalaya (pp. 1–8); Conservation status of the altitude wildlife of western Arunachal Pradesh, eastern Himalaya (pp. 9–18); Vegetation and wildlife habitat mapping in the high altitudes of western Arunachal Pradesh, eastern Himalaya (pp. 19–23); Conserving high altitude wildlife in western Arunachal Pradesh (pp. 25–27); Appendix 1. Discovery of the Chinese Goral *Nemorhaedatus caudatus* in Arunachal Pradesh: another addition to the large mammals of the Indian sub-continent (pp. 29–33); Appendix 2. A report on the Tawang Macaque *Macaca* sp. (pp. 35–39); Appendix 3. Birds of Tawang and West Kameng District, Arunachal Pradesh (pp. 41–44); Plants recorded in the high altitudes of Tawang and West Kameng Districts, Arunachal Pradesh (pp. 45–46); Vegetation and wildlife habitat mapping: technical details (pp. 47–49).

Appendix 3 lists 150 species.

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303. Mitra, S. K. Ed.

1998. *Fauna of Mahanadi Estuary (Orissa)*. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–viii, 1–218.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Foreword (p. iii, by J. R. B. Alfred, August, 1998); pref. (p. v, by S. K. Mitra); conts. (p. vii); An overview (pp. 1–16, by S. K. Mitra & T. Venkateswarlu); Aves (pp. 17–22, by A. Mohapatra); Fishes (pp. 23–114, by T. Venkateswarlu, K. Rema Devi, T. J. Indra & J. G. Pattanayak); Snakes (pp. 115–119, by T. Venkateswarlu, J. G. Pattanayak, S. C. Nahar & A. Mohapatra); Shore line insects (pp. 121–123, by S. C. Nahar); Hermit crabs (Crustacea: Decapoda) (pp. 125–128,

by K. Narapu Reddy & P. Krishna Murthy); Crustacea (pp. 129–159, by Maya Deb); Mollusca (pp. 161–197, by K. V. Surya Rao & S. Maitra); Polychaeta: Annelida (pp. 199–209, by C. A. Nageswara Rao); Porifera (pp. 211–213, by J. G. Pattanayak); Other groups (pp. 215–218, by J. G. Pattanayak & B. P. Haldar).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 17–22) contains a checklist of 46 taxa with English and Oriya names. Eleven works are listed under References.

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304. Mitra, Santanu, A. Misra & J. G. Pattanayak.

2010. *Intertidal macrofauna of Subarnarekha Estuary (Balasore: Orissa)*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 113. Kolkata, India. Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–135, pll. I–XXIII (col., 132 photographs), 1 photograph (col.), 2 maps. (1 col., 1 B&W.).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); introd. (pp. 1–2); Topography (pp. 2–5); Materials and methods (pp. 5–6); List of intertidal macrofauna (pp. 6–16); Description of species (pp. 16–96); Results and discussion (pp. 96–99); Threats and conservation (p. 99); Acknowledgements (p. 100); References (pp. 100–104); Appendix 1: Birds of Subarnarekha Estuary and adjoining area (pp. 105–111); pll. (pp. 113–135).

The bird list in Appendix 1 (pp. 105–111) tabulates 112 taxa with columns providing information on scientific name with systematic position, common name, local name, location of birding (if any specific site), and status (in this area).

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305. Mohan, Dhananjai, Arun Pratap Singh, Sanjay Sondhi, Raman Kumar & Suniti Bhushan Datta.

2016. *A checklist of the birds of Asan Conservation Reserve*. Uttarakhand, India, Uttarakhand Forest Department.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–27, 5 photographs (col., back cover), 1 map (inside back cover).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); Credits (p. ii); Introductory note (p. iii–iv); Checklist (pp. 1–21); References (pp. 23–24); Annexure 1: Uttarakhand's Protected Areas (pp. 25–26); Annexure 2: Important Bird Areas of Uttarakhand (p. 27); Ruled blank page (p. 28); Map of Asan Conservation Reserve (inside back cover).

This is the first published checklist of the birds of Asan Conservation Reserve listing 327 spp. The checklist is in tabular form with serial number, English name, alternate English name, scientific name, and remarks. The English names adopted for the checklist are primarily those used by Grimmett et al. (2011). Alternate English names that are still used in India are also included. For scientific names, the checklist relies primarily on IOC World Bird List (IOC 2014) and Avibase (2014). The recent taxonomic changes proposed by Rasmussen & Anderton (2005) as well as other recent taxonomic updates are captured in the 'Remarks' column.

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306. Mohan, Dhananjai & S. Sinha.

2003. *Birds of Uttaranchal (A checklist)*. 1st ed. Dehradun, India, Uttaranchal Forest Department.

Lists 623 taxa. Subsequent updates authored by Dhananjai Mohan & Sanjay Sondhi (q.v.).

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307. Mohan, Dhananjai & Sanjay Sondhi.

2014. *An updated checklist and bibliography of the birds of Uttarakhand*. 1st revised. Dehradun, India, Uttarakhand Forest Department.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–vi, 1–58, 4 photographs (col., back cover), 1 map (inside back cover).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Author's note (p. iii); An updated checklist of the birds of Uttarakhand (pp. iv–v); Checklist (pp. 1–47); List of doubtful records of birds from Uttarakhand (pp. 48–49); References (p. 51); Annexure-1: Uttarakhand's protected areas (pp. 52–53); Annexure-2: Important bird areas of Uttarakhand: Priority sites for conservation (p. 54); Notes (pp. 55–58, ruled, blank pages); map (inside back cover; col.).

An earlier edition was published in 2003. It covers 687 taxa; the English and scientific names are after Grimmett et al. (2011). Recent taxonomic changes proposed by Rasmussen & Anderton (2005), as well as other recent taxonomic updates are captured in the Remarks column. The checklist is presented in tabular form, with columns of Serial number, English name, alternate English name, scientific name, and remarks. A last column has a box for a tick mark, when someone uses the volume as a checklist for recording their Uttarakhand bird list.

The references list nine works.

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308. Mohan, Dhananjai & Sanjay Sondhi.

2015. *An updated checklist and bibliography of the birds of Uttarakhand*. Revised 2nd ed. Dehradun, India, Uttarakhand Forest Department.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–vi, 1–58, 4 photographs (col., back cover), 1 map (inside back cover).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Author's note (p. iii–iv); An updated checklist of the birds of Uttarakhand (pp. v–vi); Checklist (pp. 1–48); List of doubtful records of birds from Uttarakhand (pp. 49–50); References (p. 51); Annexure-1: Uttarakhand's

protected areas (pp. 52–53); Annexure-2: Important bird areas of Uttarakhand: Priority sites for conservation (p. 54); Notes (pp. 55–58, ruled, blank pages); map (inside back cover; col.).

It covers 693 taxa; the English and scientific names are after Grimmett et al. (2011). Recent taxonomic changes proposed by Rasmussen & Anderton (2005), as well as other recent taxonomic updates are captured in the Remarks column. The checklist is presented in tabular form, with columns of Serial number, English name, alternate English name, scientific name, and remarks. A last column has a box for a tick mark, when someone uses the volume as a checklist for recording their Uttarakhand bird list.

The references list nine works.

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309. Mohan, Dhananjai & Sanjay Sondhi.

2017. *An updated checklist and bibliography of the birds of Uttarakhand*. Dehradun, India, Uttarakhand Forest Department. Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–vi, 1–98, 4 photographs (col., back cover), 1 map (inside back cover).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Author's note (p. iii); An updated checklist and bibliography of the birds of Uttarakhand (pp. iv–vi); Checklist (pp. 1–52); A partial bibliography of the birds of Uttarakhand (pp. 53–89); Annexure-1: Uttarakhand's protected areas (pp. 90–91); Annexure-2: Important bird areas of Uttarakhand: Priority sites for conservation (p. 92); Notes (pp. 93–98, ruled, blank pages); map (inside back cover; col.).

This is the fourth update of this checklist; the earlier editions were published in 2003, 2014, and 2015. It covers 710 taxa; the English and scientific names are after Praveen et al. (2016). The checklist is presented in tabular form, with columns of Serial number, English name, alternate English name, scientific name, and remarks. A last column has a box for a tick mark, when someone uses the volume as a field checklist.

The partial bibliography lists 494 works.

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310. Mohan, Dhananjai, Sanjay Sondhi, Taukeer Alam Lodha, Raman Kumar & Suniti Bhushan Datta.

2018. *A preliminary checklist of the birds of Jhilmil Jheel Conservation Reserve*. Uttarakhand, India, Uttarakhand Forest Department.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–20, 4 photographs (col., back cover), 1 map (inside back cover).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); Credits (p. ii); Author's note (p. iii–iv); Checklist (pp. 1–15). Annexure 1: Uttarakhand's Protected Areas (pp. 16–17); Ruled blank pages (pp. 19–20); Map of Protected Areas of Uttarakhand (inside back cover).

This work lists 238 taxa. The checklist is in tabular form with serial number, English name, alternate English name, scientific name, remarks and a check box. The scientific and English names adopted for the checklist are primarily those adopted in 'The India Checklist' by Praveen et al. (2016).

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310A. Mondal, Himadri Sekhar.

2018. *Studies on Critically Endangered White-bellied Heron Ardea insignis (Hume, 1878) in Namdapha Tiger Reserve, Arunachal Pradesh, India. PhD Thesis*. Pondicherry, Pondicherry University.

PDF. Pp. i–x, 1–166, 65 photos (col.), 4 maps (col.).

Contents: Certificate (p. i, Dr. C. Raghunathan); Declaration (p. ii, by author); Acknowledgements (pp. iii–iv); ded. (p. v); Acronyms (p. vi); Table of contents (pp. vii–viii); frontisp. (p. ix); General introd. (pp. 1–13); Review of literature (pp. 14–19); Activity time budget (pp. 20–49); Foraging strategies and prey handling (pp. 50–96); Nest building activities (pp. 97–119); Distribution and density in Namdapha Tiger Reserve (pp. 120–139); Summary and conclusion (pp. 140–146); References (pp. 147–165); List of publications (pp. 166).

The objectives of the study were: recording activity time budgets, foraging strategies and prey handling, nest building activities, and distribution and density in Namdapha Tiger Reserve.

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311. Monga, Sunjoy.

2016. *Birds of the Mumbai region*. Mumbai, India, YUHINA Eco-Media.

Pbk. (10 x 19 cm, with synthetic leather pasted onto card cover; tit., etc., on cover and spine, and vignette on cover), pp. 1–400, 650+ photographs (col., various photographers), 1 map (col.), 1 map (col., foldout, pasted at the back), band around cover, ribbon bookmark.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1, illus.); imp. (p. 2, illus.); tit. (p. 3, illus., inscribed by author); contents (pp. 4–5); Foreword (p. 6); advt. (p. 7); Birds of the Mumbai region (pp. 8–9); The landscape (pp. 10–15); The avifauna (pp. 16–27); Key sites list (p. 28); Habitat map of the Mumbai region (p. 29); Species accounts (pp. 30–387); Miscellaneous observations (pp. 388–389); Glossary (pp. 390–391); Photo-credits (p. 392); Some additional photo-credits (pasted-in); Newsbreak: Rare sightings! (pasted-in); birding spots in the Mumbai region (pasted-in pp.); Acknowledgements (p. 393); Index (pp. 394–400).

This is the most compact and comprehensive photographic bird-guide to the Mumbai region. It covers nearly all the 350 spp., found in the region. The author packs a great deal of information into the spp., accounts through the judicious use of graphic symbols. A family page precedes the spp., accounts for each group, wherein information is provided on the family name,

the number of spp., within the family—in the world, in India, and in the Mumbai region, followed by a short note on the family. Each sp., is allotted a page with photographs, English and scientific names, size, status, identification points, habits, and other observations. Colour flags are used at the top and bottom outer edges to denote the habitat the species is found in, and a unique concept conveys at a glance the period when the species is most likely to be encountered in the region.

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312. **Mukherjee, Dhritiman & Asad R. Rahmani.**

2016. *Magical biodiversity of India*. India, BNHS-India & Oxford University Press.

Hbk. (31.5 x 23.5 cm, with illus. cover, and dust cover), 1 l., pp. i–x, 1–280, 400 photographs (col., Dhritiman Mukherjee), 5 portrs. (col.); 2 portrs. (col., authors, on dust cover back flap).

Contents: Half-tit., and frontisp. (1 l.); tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii, illus.); conts. (p. iii, illus.); pref. (p. iv, authors); Foreword (p. v, Ashok Mahindra); Message (p. vi, Bráulio Ferreira de Souza Dias); Message (p. vii, Aban Marker Kabraji); Message (p. viii, V. B. Mathur); Message (p. ix, B. Meenakumari); Acknowledgements (p. x, illus.); introd. (pp. 1–23); Trans-Himalaya (pp. 24–45); Himalaya (pp. 46–71); Gangetic Plains (pp. 72–95); Arid and semi-arid (pp. 96–125); Deccan Peninsula (pp. 126–147); Western Ghats (pp. 148–179); Northeast (pp. 180–215); Coastal region (pp. 216–233); Islands (pp. 234–255); Marine ecosystem (pp. 256–279); About the book (p. 280); About the authors (p. 280).

This magnificent coffee-table book celebrates the wildlife of India's natural regions like none other. The photographs are breathtaking and sumptuous, and the text flowing and educative. It is indeed a visual treat.

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313. **Mukherjee, K.**

1994. *Narendrapur Wildlife Sanctuary*. Calcutta, K Dey.

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314. **Murmu, Atindra, P. C. Mazumdar & S. Chaudhuri**

2013. *Vertebrate (birds and mammals) faunal composition of Hadgarh Wildlife Sanctuary Orissa*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 341. Kolkata, India. Zoological Survey of India.

PDF, pp. i–iv, 1–56, 19 photographs (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); introd. (pp. 1–4); **Systematic account:** Class—Mammalia (pp. 4–12), Class—Aves (pp. 12–44); Discussion (pp. 44–45); Recommendation (pp. 45–46); Summary (p. 46); Acknowledgements (p. 46); References (pp. 46–50); photographic pll. (pp. 51–56).

The section on birds lists 142 spp., and provides the following information for each taxon: Scientific name, common name, size, habits, and remarks. Two bird photographs have erroneous captions: the 'Bengal Green Pigeon (Pix. Santunu Ghosh)' on p. 54 is an Emerald Dove *Chalcophaps indica*; and the 'House sparrow (Pix. Santunu Ghosh)' on p. 55 are Cinnamon Sparrows *Passer rutilans*. The latter is not listed in the checklist, which has the House Sparrow *Passer domesticus*. *P. rutilans* is a bird of Himalayan tracts.

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315. **Murmu, Atindra, P. C. Mazumdar & S. Chaudhuri**

2013. *Mammals and avi-fauna of Kuldiha Wildlife Sanctuary, Orissa*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 344. Kolkata, India. Zoological Survey of India.

PDF, pp. i–iv, 1–51, photographs (col.), 1 map.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii–iv); introd. (pp. 1–4); **Systematic account:** Class—Mammalia (pp. 4–9), Class—Aves (pp. 9–44); Discussion (p. 45); Recommendation (p. 46); Summary (p. 47); Acknowledgements (p. 47); References (pp. 47–51); map and photographs (4 ll.).

Lists 138 taxa with the following information for each: Scientific name, common name, size, habits, and remarks. 85 works are listed under References.

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316. **Murray, Hugh, James Wilson, R. K. Greville, Jameson, Whitelaw Ainslie, William Rhind & Clarence Dalrymple.**

1832. *Historical and descriptive account of British India, from the most remote period to the present time: Including a narrative of the early Portuguese and English voyages, the revolutions in the Mogul Empire, and the origin, progress, and establishment of the British power; with illustrations of the zoology, botany, climate, geology, and mineralogy, also medical observations,—an account of the Hindoo astronomy—the trigonometrical surveys,—and the navigation of the Indian seas*. New York, J. & J. Harper. Vol. III of 3 vols.

PDF. Pp. [1–5], 6–379, 3 ll., 4 engravings, 1 map.

Contents: Frontisp. (p. 2); tit. (p. 3); conts. (pp. 5–8); Engravings in Vol. III (p. 9); Introductory observations (pp. 11–18); The quadrupeds of India (pp. 19–58); The birds of India (pp. 59–84); The reptiles and fishes of India (pp. 85–101); The shells and insects of India (pp. 101–116); Progress of Indian botany—general description of the vegetation (pp. 116–126); Some account of a few of the more remarkable Indian plants, in which the species are arranged according to the natural families

to which they belong (pp. 127–157); Climate (pp. 158–209); Hydrography (pp. 210–223); Geology and mineralogy (pp. 223–258); Constitution best suited to India—preservation of health on board of ship and after arrival—management after return to Europe (pp. 258–273); Spasmodic cholera (pp. 273–278); Hindoo astronomy (pp. 279–307); Hindoo mathematics (pp. 307–315); Colonel Lambton's surveys (pp. 316–326); Present state of navigation between England and the East Indies, with instructions for the guidance of passengers (pp. 326–370); Proposed steam communication between England and the East Indies by the Red Sea (pp. 370–379); Advt: Harper's family library (3 ll.).

This is the third part of a 3-volume work on the South Asian region during the British Raj. It deals with, largely, the natural sciences, and a chapter on birds (pp. 59–84) provides a brief description of India's birds with several references to dated publications.

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317. Murray-Jones, Sue, James True, U. Soe Htun & Christoph Zöckler.

2017. *The Ayeyarwady Mawdin coast marine survey and capacity building project*. Final Report Phase I: 2016. Myanmar, Fauna & Flora International.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. 1–75, innum., photographs (col.), 2 maps (col.).

Contents: Imprint (p. 1); conts. (pp. 2–3); Acronyms and abbreviations (p. 4); Acknowledgements (p. 4); Executive summary (pp. 5–6); introd. (pp. 7–12); Coral surveys (pp. 13–30); Seagrass surveys (pp. 31–42); Bird surveys and mangrove habitat assessment (pp. 43–56); Capacity building (pp. 57–62); Challenges and future directions (pp. 63–64); References (pp. 65–67); **Appendices:** Appendix 1. Bird species list January 2016 (pp. 68–71); Appendix 2. Bird species list December 2016 (pp. 72–73); Appendix 3. Terms and conditions of small grants program (pp. 74–75).

'This report details progress on a project based on the Mawdin coast of Myanmar (the west coast of Ayeyarwady Region). The project has two key aims: the collection of data on subtidal and coastal habitats; and the building of capacity in the local university system to undertake future marine survey work and impact assessments, particularly at the Marine Science Department of the University of Patheingyi, Ayeyarwady Region.

'International and national trainers were employed to teach specific survey methods and species identification, while general training, practice and supervision was provided by Dr Sue Murray-Jones, under the auspices of Fauna & Flora International, a UK-Based conservation agency with a strong presence in Myanmar. Training and surveys to date have included corals (with associated invertebrates and fish), seagrasses and birds, with mangrove assessments and underwater video habitat mapping planned in 2017.

'A total of 163 bird species were recorded in the eastern delta and along the Mawdin coast in February 2016, while 118 were recorded in the Meinmahla Kyun Wildlife Sanctuary and adjacent outer delta islands in the Ayeyarwady Delta in December 2016. Among these were fifteen species globally classified as near-threatened, vulnerable or endangered. Three species, Long-legged Buzzard, Sooty Tern and Asian Glossy Starling were observed for the first time in the Ayeyarwady Region. The rare subspecies *philippensis* of the Blue Rock Thrush was also observed for the first time along the coast in Myanmar' (pp. 5–6).

Appendix 1 (pp. 68–71) contains 'Bird species recorded from eastern Ayeyarwady Delta and Mawdin Coast between 18–28 February 2016' (163 spp.), and Appendix 2 (pp. 72–73) contains 'Bird species recorded from the Eastern Ayeyarwady Delta Islands between 3–8 December 2016, including previous survey results from January 2010, November 2013 and December 2015' (40 spp.).

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318. Nadeem, Muhammad.

2009. *Ecology of Houbara Bustard in Punjab and Nag Valley (Balochistan)*. 1st ed. VDM Verlag.

Pbk., 268 pp.

The present study describes the ecology of the desert-adapted Houbara Bustard (*Chlamydotis macqueenii*), in Pakistan.

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319. Naik, Satyesh.

2016. *Wilderness tales from Similipal*. Goa, India, Cinnamon Teal Publishing.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm with illus. cover), pp. 1–225, pll. (col., 109 photographs).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); ded. (p. 5); conts. (pp. 7–8); Acknowledgements (pp. 9–10); Foreword (pp. 11–12, by Siddhanta Das); pref. (pp. 13–15); Beginning of my tryst with Similipal (pp. 17–25); A tiger pays us a visit at Upper Barhakamunda (pp. 26–32); My Khadia guide Mahiram (pp. 33–37); Role of weatherman at Meghasani (pp. 38–42); Royal days of Bhanjabasa (pp. 43–49); Tiger stories around the bonfire (pp. 50–56); The Olta Bagha of Nawana Valley (pp. 57–60); Birds of Nawana (pp. 61–66); The forests along Palpala (pp. 67–74); Beyond the hills of Thakurmunda (pp. 75–78); Drive to the southernmost tip of Similipal (pp. 79–84); Sara of Sarua (pp. 85–88); Waiting for the Thick-billed Green Pigeons (pp. 89–92); An off day in tigerland (pp. 93–95); Jenabil—the wilderness heart of Similipal (pp. 96–102); Shikaris of Similipal (pp. 103–109); Mystical Devasthali (pp. 110–117); One last itme (pp. 118–120); Preparations for the camp in the hills (pp. 121–126); Camp life at Nigirdha (pp. 127–132); Drive down to the heaven (pp. 133–136); Tigers, timber and train (pp. 137–142); An evening in

the Balrampur haat (pp. 143–146); Tumangda machaan (pp. 147–150); The chowkidaar of Chahala (pp. 151–157); Elephant tales from Barhakamuda (pp. 158–164); Some recent notes (pp. 165–166); Photo pages (pp. 167–225).

An account of the author's days in Similipal, Odisha, with a smattering of bird lore.

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320. **Nair, P. Thankappan.**

1977. *The peacock: the national bird of India*. 1st ed. Calcutta, Firma K.L.M. Pvt. Ltd.

Hbk. (13.5 x 21.5 cm, with illus. dust cover), pp. [i]–xv, 1–340, 7 photos (B&W)

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); Pref. (pp. vii–viii); 3 ll. (unnum., with B&W pll.); Conts. (pp. ix–x); Introd. (pp. xi–xv); The peacock—the Indian national bird (pp. 1–18); Etymology of (1) *Mayil* 19 and (2) *Mayura* 23 (pp. 19–30); Origin of the first peacock (pp. 31–35); Grand mughal of the bird kingdom (pp. 36–39); How did the peacock get the hundred eye-designs? (pp. 40–56); Peacock flesh—a table delicacy (pp. 57–70); The peacock's place in Indian folklore (pp. 71–86); The peacock in Sanskrit literature (pp. 87–102); The peacock in aesthetics and fine arts (pp. 103–111); The peacock in sculpture (pp. 112–124); The peacock in numismatics (pp. 125–158); The peacock's place in history (pp. 159–169); The Peacock Throne (pp. 170–200); Peacock worship in India (pp. 201–224); Appendix (pp. 225–230); Peacock worship in Persia, China and other lands (pp. 231–246); India's cultural ambassador (pp. 247–255); Conclusion (pp. 256–265); Bibliography (pp. 266–279); Index to authors (pp. 280–291); Index (pp. 292–338); Addenda and corrigenda (pp. 339–340).

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321. **Nandi, N. C.**

1984. *Index-catalogue of avian Haematozoa from India*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 48. Kolkata, India. Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (15.5 x 24cm), 2 pr. ll., pp. i–ii, 1–64+2

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Conts. (pp. 1–2); Introduction (p. 1); Systematic position of the avian Haematozoa (pp. 1–3); Species catalogue (pp. 3–20); Host catalogue (pp. 21–40); Annotated list of uninfected species (pp. 40–45); Summary (p. 46); Acknowledgements (p. 46); References (pp. 46–53); Appendix 1 (pp. 53–63); Addendum (p. 64). Provides details of 269 avian taxa infected by 7 genera of avian Haematozoa and a systematic list of 170 uninfected avian taxa.

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322. **Nandi, N. C. Ed.**

2009. *Faunal diversity of Vembanad Lake: A Ramsar site in Kerala, India*. Wetland Ecosystem Series, 10. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–vi, 1–192, 40 photographs (col.), 5 maps.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); pref. (pp. v–vi, by N. C. Nandi); Faunal diversity of Vembanad Lake: An overview (pp. 1–24, by R. A. Khan, N. C. Nandi, M. K. Dev Roy & C. Radhakrishnan); General ecology (pp. 25–38, by N. C. Nandi, R. A. Khan & M. K. Dev Roy); Vertebrate diversity of environs (pp. 39–67, by C. Radhakrishnan, K. C. Gopi & Muhamed Jafer Palot); Invertebrate diversity (pp. 69–128, by M. K. Deb Roy, N. C. Nandi & R. A. Khan); Macroinvertebrates (pp. 129–148, by N. C. Nandi & M. K. Dev Roy); Fisheries and Socioeconomic aspects (pp. 149–180, by N. C. Nandi & M. K. Dev Roy); Conservation and management aspects (pp. 181–192, by R. A. Khan, C. Radhakrishnan, N. C. Nandi & M. K. Dev Roy).

The chapter on vertebrate diversity (pp. 39–67) contains a section on Aves (pp. 53–64) and lists 198 spp.

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323. **Nandi, N. C., S. R. Das, S. Bhuiya & J. M. Dasgupta**

1993. *Wetland faunal resources of West Bengal. I. North and South 24-Parganas Districts*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 150. Kolkata, India. Zoological Survey of India.

PDF, pp. i–iv, 1–50, 3 photographs (col.), 26 photographs (B&W), 3 maps.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); introd. (p. 1); Physiology of the study area (pp. 1–7); Location and methods (pp. 7–9); Faunal resources (pp. 9–38); Socio-economic aspects (pp. 39–41); Discussion (pp. 41–42); Summary (p. 42); Acknowledgements (p. 43); References (pp. 43–44); Appendix I: List of major and minor wetlands surveyed from North and South 24-Parganas districts (pp. 45–47); Appendix II: Inventory of wetlands above 50 acres of North and South 24-Parganas districts (pp. 47–50).

72 birds are listed in a table (pp. 12–16).

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324. **Nandi, N. C. & A. Misra**

1987. *Bibliography of the Indian Sundarbans with species reference to fauna*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 97. Kolkata, India. Zoological Survey of India.

PDF, pp. i–iv, 1–135.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (pp. iii–iv); introd. (pp. 1–4); bibliography (pp. 5–124); Abbreviations (p. 125); Author index (pp. 126–133); Errata (pp. 134–135).

This bibliography lists 1,191 references that were published between 1832 and 1985, distributed under 30 sections. Under Aves (p. 97), 13 works are listed.

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325. Narang, M. L. & B. S. Lamba

1984. *A contribution to the food habits of some Indian Mynas (Aves)*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 44. Kolkata, India. Zoological Survey of India.

PDF, i–iv, 1–76+14, 40 photographs (B&W.), 1 map, 3 figs.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); half-tit. (p. 1); introd. (pp. 3–6); Material and methods (pp. 6–9); Study area (pp. 9–13); Observations (pp. 14–71); Summary (pp. 71–72); Acknowledgements (pp. 72–73); References (pp. 73–76); map of study area (p. 79); text-figs., and photographs.

The following Sturnidae spp., are covered: *Sturnus pagodarum*, *S. contra*, *Acridotheres tristis*, *A. ginginianus*, and *A. fuscus*.

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326. Nigam, Venulata

2004. *Bibliography of Rajasthan fauna*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 224. Kolkata, India. Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18 x 24 cm, with illus. cover), 2 pr. ll., pp. 1–352.

Contents: Tit., imp., conts. (pr. ll.); Introd. (pp. 1–8); Acknowledgements (p. 8); Bibliography (pp. 9–311); Author index (pp. 312–341); Subject index (pp. 342–352).

This bibliography, covering the fauna of Rajasthan state, India, lists 4,335 references. Of these, 514 are on birds, as listed under 'Aves' in the Subject Index, however, the author states that 533 are listed (p. 7). My own bibliography (www.southasiaornith.in) lists 1,202 citations for Rajasthan up to 2003.

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327. Pal, Ranjana, Srishti Solanki & Aman Malik.

2014. *Wings of Dwarka: Birds of GGS Indraprastha University campus and surrounding areas*. 1st ed. New Delhi, Srijan Nature Club.

Pbk. (14x22 cm, with illus. cover in col.), 3 ll., pp. i–xv, 1–91, 95 col. photographs (by various photographers); 41 maps (col., distribution); 3 portr. (col.)

Contents: Tit., imp., conts., (3 ll.); Message (p. i; Dilip K. Bandyopadhyay); Message (p. ii; C. S. Rai); Foreword (pp. iii–iv; Rita Singh); Pref. (p. v); Acknowledgements (p. vi); Introd. (pp. vii–viii); How to use this booklet? (p. ix); Birding for beginners (pp. x–xi); Plumage terminology (p. xii); Glossary (pp. xiii–xiv); Bird description [sic] and plates (pp. 1–80); Appendix-I: Possible bird species to be found here (p. 81); Appendix-II (pp. 82–84; habitat photographs); Popular birding sites in & [sic] around Delhi (pp. 85–86); Helpline numbers [sic] for birds (p. 87); References (pp. 88–89); Index of the [sic] common names (pp. 90–91); About the authors (inside back cover).

Title on cover page is 'Wings of Dwarka—A field guide'. Covers 80 spp., of birds around the university campus.

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328. Palot, Muhamed Jafer & C. Radhakrishnan.

2005. *Faunal diversity of a laterite hill system at Madayipara, Kannur district, Kerala, India*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 242. Kolkata, India. Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18.0 x 24.5 cm), 3 pr. ll., pp. 1–98, 6 ll., pll., 1–8, maps 1–2, text-fig. 1.

Contents: Tit., imp., Conts. Pref. (pr. ll.); Introd. (pp. 1–4); Flora (pp. 4–7); Fauna [pp. 8–92: Invertebrata (p. 8); Insecta (pp. 9–16); Lepidoptera (pp. 17–41); Mollusca (p. 41); Arachnida (pp. 41–42); Pices (pp. 43–44); Amphibia (pp. 44–45); Reptilia (pp. 45–47); Aves (pp. 48–87); Mammalia (pp. 87–92)]; Discussion (pp. 92–96); Acknowledgements (p. 96); References (30 listed; pp. 96–98); maps, pll., (6 ll.).

The section on birds (pp. 48–87) contains four tables: Table X—Migratory birds (pp. 49–50), containing 46 taxa; Table XI—Breeding birds of Madayipara (p. 51), listing 20 taxa; Table XII—Over-wintering migrants of Madayipara (p. 52), listing 21 taxa; and, Table XIII—Locally migratory species of birds at Madayipara (pp. 53–54), listing 26 taxa. An annotated checklist lists 168 taxa, and gives brief information on habitat, distribution, and status.

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329. Paludan, Knud. (1908–1988)

1959 (1960?). *On the birds of Afghanistan*. Copenhagen, Denmark, Zoological Department, Natural History Museum of Denmark.

Hbk. (15 x 24.5 cm, uncut), pp. i–ii, 1–332, 1 pl. (col.), 1 map (fold-out), illus. (b&w.).

See Pittie (2010: 569).

Contents: Tit. [p. i, with map in vignette]; imp. [p. ii]; half-tit. (p. iii); ded. (p. 1); The 3rd Danish Expedition to Central Asia, Zoological Results 25, Conts. (p. 5); introd. (pp. 3–5); On the history of Afghan ornithology (pp. 5–18); Account of the journey; with notes on main habitats and their birds (pp. 18–61); Taxonomy and field data (pp. 62–300); Tentative list of Afghan birds (pp. 300–321); Composition and affinities of the bird fauna (pp. 322–327); List of literature (pp. 327–332); pl., fold-out map.

A detailed account of The 3rd Danish Expedition to Central Asia from December 1947–November 1950, originally published in *Videnskabelige Meddelelser Dansk Naturhistorisk Forening* 122: 1–332.

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330. Pande, Satish.

2009. *Latin names of Indian birds—explained*. 1st ed. Mumbai, Bombay Natural History Society & Oxford University Press.

Pbk. (14 x 22 cm, with fold-out illus. cover), pp. i–xx, 1–505+16, 16 pll. (col.), 1 portr. (col., of the author, on front flap), 8 portr. (B&W.), innumerable line-drawings & portrs.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); ded. (p. iii); Table of conts. (p. v); Foreword (p. vi, by Asad R. Rahmani); Pref. (p. vii, by Satish Pande); Acknowledgements (pp. viii–ix); Sponsors (p. x); Introd. (pp. xii–viii); Abbreviations (p. xx); About the book (p. xxi); Credits (p. xxii); Generic and specific names explained (pp. 1–434); Black and white plates (pp. 435–436); Brief notes on taxon authors, ornithologists, etc. (pp. 437–463); Index of taxon authors and other names (pp. 464–468); Index of common names of birds (pp. 469–486); Index of generic Latin names of birds (pp. 487–491); Index of specific Latin names of birds (pp. 492–501); Major references (pp. 502–503); About Ela Foundation (pp. 504–505); Notes (p. 506); col. pll. (16 pp., unnumbered).

A surprising omission from the 'Major references' is: Pittie, A., 2004. A dictionary of scientific bird names originating from the Indian region. *Buceros* 9 (2): 1–30. See Pittie (2010: 595–596).

This is a useful addition to the growing literature of South Asian ornithology. It gives the meanings of, both, generic and specific, scientific names of 1,397 avian taxa. A useful appendix contains brief biographies of 162 ornithologists.

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331. Pande, Satish & Anvita Abbi.

2011. *Ethno-ornithology: Birds of the Great Andamanese. Names, classification and culture*. 1st ed. Mumbai, Ela Foundation; Bombay Natural History Society; Oxford University Press.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–civ, 1–134, innum., pll. (by various artists), innum., photographs (col., by various photographers), several portrs. (authors, etc.), maps.

Contents: About the authors (front cover folded flap); painting (inside front cover foldout); tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); ded. (p. iii); Acknowledgement (p. iv); Foreword (pp. v–vi, by Brent Berlin, 8 December 2010); Foreword (pp. vii–viii, by Luisa Maffi, 22 November 2010); pref. (pp. ix–xii, by Satish Pande); pref. (pp. xii–xv, by Anvita Abbi, Leipzig 2010); Why write this book? (pp. xvi–xvii); col. pl. (p. xvii); conts. (p. xix); introd. (pp. xxi–xxvii); Ethnobiology (pp. xxviii–li); Ethnobiological classification of birds by the Great Andamanese (pp. liii–lxxviii); Ethnography (pp. lxxix–lxxxv); Some anthropological considerations (pp. lxxxvi–cii); About the book (p. civ); Species descriptions (pp. 1–100); Covert taxa (pp. 101–111); A folk tale: 'Maya jiro mithe' (pp. 112–117); Some references (pp. 118–124); 'Varnamala' for the Great Andamanese children (p. 125); Index: Great Andamanese names (p. 126); Index: Orders, families and Latin names (pp. 127–129); Index: Common names (pp. 130–131); Advt. (pp. 133–134).

'This is a curious, fascinating and slightly puzzling book that combines an ethnolinguistic treatise on Andamanese animal taxonomy with a photographic guide to birds (and bats Chiroptera) of the ... Andaman and Nicobar Islands in the Bay of Bengal ... Overall of more use to anthropologists and comparative linguists than birders, it would be nevertheless well worth taking if one is fortunate enough to be visiting these remote islands,' (A.S.C., 2012).

Review: 'A.S.C.' 2012. *Ibis* 154 (4): 920.

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332. Pande, Satish, Pramod Deshpande & Niranjana Sant.

2013. *Birds of Maharashtra*. 2nd ed. Pune, India, Ela Foundation.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–xlii, 1–329, several pll. (col., by various artists), innum., photographs (col., by various photographers); several portrs. (B&W., and col.).

Contents: Map of Maharashtra showing biogeographic and administrative zones and geographical features (Inside front cover, foldout); tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); ded. (p. iii, with portr.); Acknowledgement (p. iv); conts. (p. v); Foreword (pp. vi–vii, by Anil Mahabai); Sponsors' foreword (p. viii); pref. (pp. ix–xii, by Satish Pande); introd. (pp. xiv–xix); Biogeography (pp. xx–xxvii); Vocalisation in birds (pp. xxviii–xxxiii, by Rajgopal Patil);

A glimpse of Garuda in Sanskrit literature (pp. xxxiv–xxxv, by Suruchi Pande); About the book (pp. xxxvi–xl); Pink-headed Duck *Rhodonessa caryophyllacea* (Latham, 1790) (p. xli); Species accounts (pp. 1–283); Maharashtra state at a glance (p. 284); Table showing protected areas in Maharashtra state as per various zones (p. 285); Table showing Important Bird Areas

(IBA's) of Maharashtra state (p. 286); Table showing biogeographic zones and provinces of Maharashtra (p. 287); Table showing avian diversity of Maharashtra state (p. 288); Table showing endemic bird species of Maharashtra (p. 289); Threatened birds of Maharashtra (pp. 290–291); Colour morphs of the Western Marsh Harrier (p. 292); Brief review of literature on the avifauna of Maharashtra (p. 293); Some English publications devoted to birds (p. 294); List of books on birds in Marathi (pp. 295–298, in Marathi; compiled by Anil Mahabal); advt. (p. 298); Some government organisations and NGO's working for nature (p. 299, in Marathi); A list of state birds (p. 300); Some references (pp. 301–303); advts. (pp. 304–307); Index of common English names (pp. 308–313); Index of Marathi names (pp. 314–319); Index of scientific names (pp. 320–325); Helping birds (p. 325); Index of family names (p. 326); Enjoy birding (pp. 327–328); Authors (p. 329).

This is a bi-lingual (English and Marathi) photographic guide to the birds of Maharashtra, India (566 spp., are covered). Each page describes two species, using a large photograph, and graphic symbols for dimorphism, habit, habitat, age of bird, nest type, and food preference; also provides common English and Marathi names, scientific name, family name, size, a brief description, and clue to identification. Some species have additional photographs. A rare photograph of a stuffed specimen of the extinct Pink-headed Duck *Rhodonessa caryophyllacea*, in the collection of the Zoological Survey of India, Kolkata, is displayed on p. xli.

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333. Pande, Satish & Suruchi Pande.

2014. *Falconry in the land of the Blackbuck: Shyenaivinod (1129–1130 AD)*. Pune, India, Ela Foundation.

Pbk. (18 x 24 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–168, innum., photographs (B&W.), 100+ line drawings (by Sachin Joshi).

Contents: Ded. (folded flap of front cover); line drawing and text (inside front cover); tit. (p. 1, illus.); imp. (p. 2); conts. (p. 3, illus.); Acknowledgement (p. 4); Foreword (p. 5, by Robert E. Kenward); pref. (pp. 6–15); Shyena in Sanskrit literature (pp. 16–27); Chronology of Sanskrit literature referred for the present work (p. 28); Shyenaivinod (pp. 29–103); Glossary for Shyenaivinod (pp. 104–109); Bibliography for Shyenaivinod (pp. 110–111; 66 works listed); Bibliography of Sanskrit works (pp. 112–114; 41 works listed); Memoirs of H. H. The Raja of Miraj (pp. 115–119); Reminiscences of Sardar Udaisinh Patankar on falconry from 1935 to 1940 (pp. 120–122); A brief note on the swivel in relation to animals and birds in India (pp. 123–125); The tradition of falconry among the Sikh gurus. A preliminary enquiry (pp. 126–130, by Harkirat Singh Sangha); Shikari Pakshi (pp. 131–133); Notes on translation of Shikari Pakshi (pp. 134–157); Glossary of Marathi names of birds of prey mentioned in Shikari Pakshi (p. 158); Glossary of other names (pp. 159–161); Select bibliography for Shikari Pakshi (p. 162; 6 works listed); List of Indian museums for falcon related artifacts, etc. (p. 162); advt. (pp. 163–164); bird portrs. (pp. 165–168); line drawing and text (inside back cover); about the authors (folded flap of back cover, with portrs.).

This is a compendium of sorts on falconry in India. It comprises translations into English, and commentaries, of two ancient texts on falconry. The first is the twelfth century Sanskrit treatise on falconry, *Shyenaivinod*, compiled by King Somabhapati (Someswar III, Chalukya Dynasty, AD 1129–1130), which is translated by both the authors; and the second, the Marathi, *Shikari Pakshi*, by Ramchandra Rupaji Khot, published in c.1901, which is translated by the first author. It includes the memoirs of two erstwhile princely falconers, a preliminary enquiry of the tradition of falconry amongst the Sikh Gurus, glossaries, bibliographies, etc. The transliteration of the Sanskrit *Shyenaivinod*, into English, would have greatly benefited by the usage of diacritic marks for correct pronunciation.

This is an important addition to the modern literature on falconry.

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334. Pande, Satish, Niranjan Sant, Kailash Chandra, Pramod Deshpande & Narmada P. Shukla.

2009. *Birds of Madhya Pradesh*. 1st ed. Pune, Ela Foundation & Madhya Pradesh Council of Science & Technology.

Pbk. (10 x 18.5 cm, with illus. fold-out cover by Clement Francis), pp. [i–iv], v–xvii+1, 1–234, 2 maps, 53 illus. (by 5 illustrators), 409 photos (col., by 36 photographers), 5 portr. (col.).

Contents: Map (inside fold-out front cover); tit. [p. i], imp. [p. ii], ded. [p. iii], Acknowledgements [p. iv], Conts. (p. v); Foreword (p. vi, by Prof. P. K. Verma); Pref. (pp. vii–ix, by Satish Pande); Topography (p. x); About the book (p. xi); Introd. (pp. xii–xvi); Habitats (p. xvii); Division-wise sketch map of Madhya Pradesh [p. xviii]; Birds (pp. 1–205); Threatened birds of Madhya Pradesh (p. 206); Endemic avian species of Madhya Pradesh (p. 206); List of species likely to be recorded in the region (p. 207); List of reserves, national parks and wildlife sanctuaries in Madhya Pradesh (p. 208); Ramsar sites in Madhya Pradesh (p. 209); Birding spots in Bhopal (p. 209); Glossary (pp. 210–211); Index of family names of birds (p. 212); Index of common English names of birds (pp. 213–216); Index of scientific names of birds (pp. 217–220); Index of Hindi names of birds (pp. 221–225, in Devnagari script); References and suggested reading (pp. 226–230); Ela Foundation (pp. 231–232); About MP Council of Science & Technology (p. 233); About the authors (p. 234).

A handy pocket-sized photographic guide to the birds of Madhya Pradesh (M.P.), packing a great deal of information. The photographs are of a consistently high standard, some even excellent. Sadly, the same cannot be said of the several illus. This is a field wherein India lags far below the accepted international brush stroke of excellence. The cooperation of two organisations in publishing this book is laudable.

The preliminary pages (pp. i–xviii) briefly explain about the book, introduce the region it covers, its geology, physiology, climate, forests, biodiversity hotspots, faunal diversity, and historical aspects of its avifaunal documentation. Page xvii has pictures of eight major habitats found in the region, along with their locations, except for the riverine, and semi-evergreen forest habitats. A division-wise map of M.P. (p. xviii) is helpful, but misses out on a couple of districts that are listed alongside, e.g., Ashoknagar

(Gwalior division), and Burhanpur (Indore division).

The authors have quoted several different pertinent works, and stated the number of taxa variously tallied in them, ranging from 469 (p. xv) to 517 (p. xiv); but for this work they consider 417 spp., for the state, describing and illustrating 407 of which 21 are either vagrant, or doubtful (p. xv).

The bulk of the work (pp. 1–205) contains photographs and brief accounts of birds, with two species shown on each page. The notes comprise English, Hindi, and scientific names, size, information on sexual dimorphism, status, habitat, nest-type, food, identification pointers, and distribution in the divisions of M.P. as delineated in the map on p. xviii. This last is obviously only indicative, as it would be based on published sources.

Without taking away anything from the value of this work, I would like to point out a few things in the interest of accuracy, which it otherwise so consistently upholds.

The photographs purportedly illustrating two different taxa on p. 23, namely *Aythya fuligula* and *A. marila*, are both of the former. The photo of *Mirafra erythroptera* (p. 129) is that of an *Anthus* sp. The records of *Lanius collurio* (p. 147), *L. tephronotus* (p. 149), and *Turdoides subrufa* (p. 168) seem far out of range. I wonder whether their photographs were shot in India at all, as indeed that of *L. excubitor* (p. 148).

Some sexually 'dimorphic' taxa are erroneously treated as 'alike': *Ardeotis nigriceps* (p. 62), *Ocyrceros birostris* (p. 116), *Copsychus malabaricus* (p. 159), and *Melophus lathami* (p. 188). As is well known, birds of prey are generally considered sexually dimorphic, in that the female is much larger than the male, and invariably differences in the density of plumage markings differ between sexes. However, the authors treat raptor sexes as 'alike.'

This work follows Rasmussen & Anderton (2005) in matters of taxonomy (p. xi). However, I could spot two taxa that do not conform: *Lanius meridionalis* is treated as *L. excubitor* (p. 148), and *Oriolus kundoo* as *O. oriolus* (p. 200), even though the photograph clearly identifies the former.

This work treats the 'residential status [of birds] as applicable to India' (p. xi). However, at least two taxa are wrongly listed under 'winter visitor' or 'winter migrant' category: *Nettapus coromandelianus* (p. 25), and *Sarkidiornis melanotos* (p. 26).

Some minor factual contradictions have crept into the text: Number of threatened birds shown as '24' on p. vii, but 25 listed on p. 206; '1' biosphere reserve (p. viii), but two listed on p. 208; '45' districts (p. xii) but a count reveals 48 [p. xviii]; Chandra & Singh's paper was published in 2004, not '2006' (p. xv).

There is a useful glossary at the end (pp. 210–211), in which the word 'lore,' should be spelt 'lores.' In the topography of a bird (p. x), the loreal spot is also similarly mislabeled.

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335. Pandey, Sanjeeva & Anthony J. Gaston.

2019. *The Great Himalayan National Park: The struggle to save the western Himalayas*. New Delhi, India, Niyogi Books.

Hbk. (17.5 x 21.5, with illus., cover, and dust cover), pp. 1–364, photographs (col.), innum., photographs (col., by various), 2 portrs. on dust cover (col., authors), maps.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); ded. (p. 5); frontisp., and conts. (pp. 6–7); Foreword (pp. 8–18, by Anthony Gaston); Ecological setting (pp. 19–62); Trekking (pp. 63–104); Development of GHNP (pp. 105–138); People and GHNP (pp. 139–172); The uniqueness of GHNP (pp. 173–202); To everything, there is a season (pp. 203–242); Birds (pp. 243–282); Mammals (pp. 283–312); Future of biodiversity in the Western Himalayas (pp. 313–335); Afterword (pp. 336–343, by Sanjeeva Pandey); Acknowledgements (pp. 344–346); Appendix (pp. 347–352); Bibliography (pp. 353–358); Index (pp. 359–364).

'The book is intended both as a history and an ecological overview of the Park as well as a plea for continuing conservation of the rich legacy of Himalayan plants and animals. In addition to descriptions of the ecology, the book includes local history and culture and a review of current development in the region' (blurb on front flap on dust cover).

'In the chapter on birds (pp. 243–282), the authors state, 'In describing the birds of the Park, we have grouped them for convenience by family or habitat and have spent more time on those species which are particular to the area...' (p. 245).

The Appendix comprises a tabulated 'List of birds seen in Great Himalayan National Park, by Anthony Gaston, Sanjeeva Pandey, and Paul Elsen' (pp. 347–352), covering 221 spp., and 'List of mammals in GHNP classified as either Vulnerable, Near Threatened or Endangered' (p. 352). The bibliography lists eighty-six works.

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336. Pandit, Prasanta Kumar & Arjan Basu Roy.

2019. *Birds of Indian Sundarbans*. Kolkata, India, Citadel.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm with illus., cover), pp. i–xxiv, 1–368, innum., photographs (col., various photographers), 1 map (col.), 2 portrs. (col., authors).

Contents: About the author (inside front cover flap); half-tit. (p. i); frontisp. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); map (p. vii); conts. (p. ix); Foreword (p. xi, by Kushal Mookherjee); pref. (pp. xiii–xiv, authors); introd. (pp. xv–xix, by Debarpan Datta, Souparna Roy, & Namrata Das); How to use this book (p. xxi); Abbreviations used (p. xxii); Descriptions of the parts of a bird (p. xxiii); Species pages (pp. 1–354); Bibliography (p. 355); Internet references (pp. 356–359); Index of the scientific name (pp. 360–364); Index of the common name (pp. 364–368); About the author (inside back cover flap).

This work covers 354 taxa found in the vast Sundarbans area. Species accounts allow a page to each sp., and contain the following details: Three colour photographs, English name, scientific name, Bengali name, family, size, description, habit and

habitats, call, food, nesting, and distribution. Besides these, graphics are used to convey the nesting period of the taxon, its IUCN status, its visibility status, its seasonal distribution, and whether sexes are dimorphic.

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337. Pavendhan A., Prakash G. & Balaji P. B.

2016. *Birds of Coimbatore*. Coimbatore, India, Creative.

Hbk. (16.5 x 24.5 cm, with illus., cover; issued without a dust cover), pp. i–viii, 1–228, 358 photographs (col., various photographers), maps.

Contents: Half-tit., imp., ded., About Yi, About CNS (8 pr. ll.); conts. (p. 1); Foreword (p. 2, by Swathy Rohit); Foreword (pp. 3–4, by P. R. Selvaraj); Foreword (p. 5, by V. K. Melkani); Foreword (pp. 6–7, by P. Pramod); Acknowledgements (p. 8); Disclaimer (p. 9); Introduction to Coimbatore (pp. 11–16); Introduction to birds (pp. 17–21); How to use this book (pp. 22–24); Bird profiles (pp. 25–160); Birding hotspots (pp. 161–181); Birds of Coimbatore—checklist: Ver 1.0 Sep 2015 (pp. 182–185); Birds FAQ (pp. 186–199); Birding do's and don'ts (pp. 200–201); Bibliography (pp. 202–203); Glossary (pp. 204–205); Photo credits (pp. 206–209); Tamil names of birds (pp. 210–214); Important birds with hotspot (pp. 215–221); Index of common names (pp. 222–225); Addendum (p. 226).

Species accounts include English name, scientific name, authority, family, IUCN status, local status, habitat, and general notes, besides one or more photographs. The English name is coloured differently for resident or migrant species. The authorities (=author) for all taxa are without parentheses.

The checklist (pp. 182–185) comprises 321 taxa. The bibliography lists fifteen works, and forty-four website URLs. Ninety-four spp., are considered 'important' and their absence/presence recorded across twenty-four hotspots.

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338. Pawar, Samraat & Aysegul Birand.

2001. *A survey of amphibians, reptiles, and birds in Northeast India. CERC Technical Report #6*. Mysore, Centre for Ecological Research and Conservation.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. 1–118, 8 maps, 7 figs., tables (several).

Contents: Tit., suggested citation (2 pp.); Conts. (p. 1); Acknowledgements (pp. 2–4); Summary (p. 5); Part I - Introduction (pp. 6–9); Part II - Methods (pp. 10–15); Part III - Faunal distribution patterns: Looking for congruence (pp. 16–26); Part IV - Synthesis (pp. 27–30); Part V - Area accounts (pp. 31–61; covering: Nameri National Park, Pakhui Wildlife Sanctuary, Namdapha Tiger Reserve, Mouling National Park, Balphakram National Park, Barail Reserve Forest, Ngengpui Wildlife Sanctuary & Palak Lake area, and Dampa Tiger Reserve); Literature cited (pp. 62–70); Appendices (pp. 71–118).

Appendices comprise: I. Checklists of surveyed fauna [Amphibians (pp. 73–74); Reptiles (pp. 75–78); Birds (pp. 79–94), 501 species]; II. Notes on selected species [Birds (pp. 103–111; 34 species)]; III. Checklist of mammals encountered (pp. 112–113); IV. Methods for preservation of amphibians and reptiles (pp. 114–115); Getting there... (pp. 116–118).

The authors undertook a survey of amphibians, reptiles, and birds in low- to mid-elevation sites along the montane tracts of north-eastern India, and in this work they provide inventories from the nine protected areas listed in the contents.

The checklists of surveyed fauna use symbols that provide the following details: species recorded/not recorded during the survey, not seen in the area *per se*, included in the analyses, cross-references to notes section, three types of habitat classifications, and area codes for the eight protected areas covered.

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339. Peck, Robert McCracken.

2016. *The natural history of Edward Lear (1812–1888)*. Suffolk, UK, ACC Art Books Ltd.

Hbk. (18 x 25.5 cm, cloth, differing for boards, and spine; gold reverse embossed vignette, and spine; illus. dust cover), pp. 1–223, pll. 1–127, 1–48 (col., B&W, portrs., line drawings).

Contents: Illus. (front endpaper); half-tit. (p. 1); frontisp. (p. 2); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); conts. (pp. 5–6); Foreword (pp. 7–11, by David Attenborough); introd. (pp. 13–19); **Part I** (pp. 20–21); An unusual life: Lear's childhood and early interest in natural history (pp. 22–31); Opening the cages: Lear and the London Zoo (pp. 32–38); Edward T. Bennett (pp. 39–41); An unfinished publication: Lear's lost portfolio (pp. 42–46); The zoology of Capt. Beechey's voyage (pp. 47–50); Lear and lithography: Applying technology to art (pp. 51–55); Lear's parrot monograph (pp. 56–59); Bird depictions dead and alive: ornithological illustration before Lear (pp. 60–63); Barraband's Parrots (pp. 64–70); Among the lions: Lear's place in the natural history community of his day (pp. 71–90); A curious beast (pp. 91–92); Lear Down Under: An unusual interest in Australia (pp. 93–99); The Earl and the Pussycat: Lear's association with Lord Derby (pp. 100–106); John James Audubon and a hoped-for venture to America (pp. 107–109); Gleanings from Knowsley Hall (pp. 110–111); An artist in motion: Lear as a traveler (pp. 112–130); Spoofing science from the sidelines: Lear's nonsense botany (pp. 131–135); Lear's botany: The serious side (pp. 136–138); Conclusion (Part I) (p. 139); **Part II** (pp. 140–141); Timeless stories for all ages: Lear's impact on children's books (pp. 142–151); The legacy continues: Two contemporary painters of natural history working in the Lear tradition (pp. 152–157); Taking Lear in a new direction (pp. 158–163); Poetical topographers: Three contemporary travel and landscape painters working in the Lear tradition (pp. 164–172); A political cartoonist influenced by Lear (pp. 173–177); Conclusion (Part II) (pp. 178–179); Notes for Part I (pp. 180–192); Notes for Part II (pp. 193–195); Appendix (p. 196); Acknowledgments (pp. 197–200); List of illustrations (pp.

201–204); Selected bibliography (pp. 205–206); Index (pp. 207–222); Colophon (p. 223); Illus. (back endpaper).

This is a wonderful biography of the great painter, Edward Lear. It is relevant to South Asia because he illustrated John Gould's first large folio, 'A century of birds...' along with Elizabeth Gould (Pittie 2010: 314–316), and other works on birds.

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340. Phillips, William Watt Addison. (1892–1981)

1976. *A 1975 annotated checklist of the birds of Ceylon (Sri Lanka)*. Colombo, Wildlife and Nature Protection Society of Ceylon.

Pbk. (19.0 x 24.5 cm, with illus. cover; line-drawing by Ismeth Raheem), 4 pr. ll., iii–xiii, 1–92, 5 photos (monochr., by author), 1 map.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); conts. (p. iii); Foreword (p. v, by Thilo W. Hoffmann, dated Colombo, March 1976); Editorial note (p. v, [by W. W. A. Phillips] dated May 1975); [pr. ll., pagination given in book is incorrect]; Introd. (pp. vii–xiii); Acknowledgements (p. xiii); Climatic zones (p. xiv; map); Order of classification (pp. xv–xvii); photographs (1 unnum., l.); 1975 annotated checklist of the birds of Ceylon (Sri Lanka) (pp. 1–90); Addendum (p. 91); Books on Ceylon birds (p. 92).

This work was revised and completed in '1972' (p. v), but could not be printed by the Department of Wildlife Conservation, Sri Lanka for various reasons. It lists 425 taxa, an increase of 18 from the first edition (1952). Each taxon has details on Order, Family, Species, English, Sinhalese and Tamil names, nomenclatural details, and brief notes. Twenty-two works are listed under 'Books on Ceylon birds' (p. 92).

Review: 'A.S.C.' 1977. *Ibis* 119: 414.

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341. Pittie, Aasheesh.

2010. *Birds in books: three hundred years of South Asian ornithology—a bibliography*. 1st ed. Ranikhet, India. Permanent Black.

Hbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, cloth, dual tone, with reverse embossed title on spine, and illus. dust jacket, by Szabolcs Kókay), pp. [i–ix], x–xxi, 1–845, 1 portr. (Dust jacket, back cover; of author); ribbon page marker.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); Conts. (p. vii); Foreword (pp. ix–xi, by Edward C. Dickinson, dat. June 2008); Pref. (pp. xiii–xvii, by Aasheesh Pittie, dat. January 2010); Timeline of books 1713–2009 (pp. xviii–xxi); Introd. (pp. 1–22); Abbreviations used in the bibliography (pp. 23–24); Bibliography (pp. 25–764); Brief biographies of authors (pp. 765–827); General index (pp. 828–833); Index of new names (pp. 834–840); Index of acronyms, co-authors, co-editors (pp. 841–845).

This annotated bibliography lists over 1,700 books on ornithology from South Asia, embracing various genres: travelogues, field guides, species monographs, country handbooks, regional avifauna, multi-volume ornithological works, and folios of art, to simple checklists. In addition, it provides brief glimpses into the lives of over 200 ornithologists. For comprehensive accessibility, it includes three indexes enabling readers to reach specific items of information with ease.

Reviews: Asad R. Rahmani. 2010. *BNHS Newsletter* June/July 2010; Bikram Grewal. 2010. *Sanctuary Asia* 30 (3): 79; Rajeev Mathew. 2010. *Pitta* 7 (7): 6–7; Tim Inskipp. 2010. *Indian BIRDS* 6 (3): 86; R. J. Ranjit Daniels. 2010. *Current Science* 99 (3): 385–386; Mark Cocker. 2010. *British Birds* 103 (8): 470; Tony Gaston. 2011. *Ibis* 153 (1): 217; J. C. Daniel. 2011. *Hornbill* 2010 (October–December): 46; Rahul Jayaram. 2011. *Mint Lounge* 19 March 2011, 5 (12): 18; Carol Inskipp. 2011. *The Auk* 128 (2): 433–434; Sangha & Divyabhanusinh. 2011. *Cheetal* 49 (4): 7–33; Brian Sykes. 2014. *BirdingASIA* 21: 12.

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342. Poonswad, Pilai, Alan Kemp & Morten Strange.

2013. *Hornbills of the world: a photographic guide*. Singapore, Draco Publishing & Distribution Pte. Ltd.

Pbk. (25 x 25 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–212, 1 pll. (col.), 418 photographs (col., Tim Laman and others), 5 portrs. (col., authors), 59 maps.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); supporters (p. 2); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); About the cover (p. 5); conts. (pp. 6–7); pref. (pp. 8–9); acknowledgements (pp. 10–11); Evolution, distribution and relationships (pp. 12–17); General habits (pp. 18–21); Feeding ecology (pp. 22–27); Breeding ecology (pp. 28–35); Social life (pp. 36–41); How to use this book (pp. 42–43); Species accounts Africa (pp. 44–115); Species accounts Asia (pp. 116–203); Threats and conservation (pp. 204–210); Glossary (p. 211); References (p. 212).

This is a definitive photographic guide to the hornbills (Bucerotidae) of the world. All species are described and illustrated in multiple photographs showing both male and female, and distinct subspecies.

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343. Pradhan, M. S.

2002. *Common vertebrate species of Sanjay Gandhi National Park, Borivali, Mumbai*. Conservation Area Series, 22. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (20 x 28 cm, with illus. cover), pp. [i–vi], 1–54+4, 4 col. pll., (11 photographs).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); Imprint (p. ii); Conts. (pp. iii–v); Introd. (pp. 1–2); Acknowledgements (p. 2); Mammalia (pp. 3–16);

Aves (pp. 16–38); Reptilia (pp. 39–49); Amphibia (pp. 49–51); Table (pp. 52–53); References (p. 54).

The section on birds contains an annotated list of 55 taxa.

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344. **Praveen E. S. & Sreekumar E. R.**

2016. *An atlas of the birds of Thrissur*. Thrissur, Kerala, India, Bird Count India, Cochin Natural History Society, College of Forestry KAU, Indian Bird Conservation Network, Kerala Forest Department, eBird, Kerala Birder, Koodu Nature Magazine.

Pbk. (with illus., cover), pp. 1–97, 260 maps (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); Acknowledgements (pp. 3–4); introd. (p. 5); Kerala Bird Atlas Project (p. 5); Methodology (pp. 6–7); Planning and tracking (p. 7); Analysis (p. 8); How to read the visualisations (pp. 8–9); Results overview (p. 9); Conclusion (p. 10); species accounts (pp. 11–97).

This atlas, the result of citizen science, lists 259 taxa of birds from Thrissur District, Kerala (India). Each taxon is given one third of a page, and the following details are provided: English name, scientific name, Malayalam name, line graphs show trends of the species in percentage of lists across the district where the taxon is present in dry and wet seasons; a map of the district divided into coloured cells, the intensity of the colour being proportional to the percentage of lists from the cell where the species occurred. Cells that could not be covered are shown as grey squares.

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345. **Praveen J., Rajah Jayapal & Aasheesh Pittie**

2016. *A checklist of the birds of India*. *Indian BIRDS* 11 (5&6). Hyderabad, India. New Ornithology Foundation.

Pbk. (22 x 28 cm, with illus., cover by Rohan Chakravarty), pp. 1–63 (pp. 113–172A), advt.

Contents: Imp., conts., editorial (by Aasheesh Pittie) (front inside cover); Abstract (p. 113); Introduction: A brief history of India checklists (pp. 113–115); Methods (pp. 115–117); Results (p. 117); Discussion (pp. 117–118); Glossary (pp. 118–119); Abbreviations used in the India Checklist, and Acknowledgements (p. 119); References (pp. 119–122; 140 works); checklist (pp. 123–158); Notes (pp. 158–161); References [to notes] (pp. 161–165; 157 works); Appendix 1: List of bird species known/presumed/hypothesised to occur in South Asia, but excluded from the India Checklist either for want of corroboration, or on account of their absence from Indian limits (pp. 165–168; 253 taxa); Appendix 2: List of bird species endemic to India (pp. 169–170; 61 taxa); advt. (p. 170); notes (p. 171; blank page); Index (pp. 172–172A); advt. (p. 172A).

'This paper presents a definitive Checklist of birds of India ('the India Checklist') in a modern taxonomy. We have reviewed all the past records of bird species from within the political boundaries of the Republic of India and have included only those species whose occurrence within the country is well corroborated. In this process, we follow 'The Howard and Moore Complete Checklist of the Birds of the World' (4th Edition) for taxonomy and species sequence. In total, the India Checklist acknowledges inclusion of 1263 species of birds out of which 61 (4.8%) are endemic to India. Taxonomically, it covers 23 orders, 107 families, and 498 genera. We hope that the India Checklist—a systematic, peer-reviewed baseline data for the country's avifauna—will standardise the taxonomy, and nomenclature, of Indian birds and will streamline communications in Indian ornithology. We also plan to regularly update the India Checklist online, which will be freely available to all users' (p. 113).

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346. **Praveen J. & P. O. Nameer.**

2021. *An atlas of the birds of Kerala*. Kerala, India, Kerala Agricultural University, Bird Count India.

PDF. (with illus., cover), pp. 1–219, 382 photographs (col., by various photographers), 764 maps (col.), 2 tables.

Contents: Tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); Partners (p. 3); conts (p. 4); Acknowledgements (pp. 5–12); introd. (p. 13); Kerala Bird Atlas Project (p. 13); Methodology (pp. 14–15); Planning and tracking (p. 16); Analysis (p. 17); How to read the visualisations (p. 18); Bird Atlas Survey: Results and discussion (p. 19–21); Species richness (p. 22); Species maps and seasonality (pp. 23–213); References (p. 214); Index (215–219); photographs (back cover).

This is the first, and largest, systematic state-wide atlas for India (and Asia). It is the result of citizen science involving a thousand birdwatchers who covered 3,000 locations, spending 600 days in the field over five years from 2015 to 2020. It is a splendid example of what can be achieved by the coordinated effort of citizen science.

The atlas lists 382 taxa of birds (over 70% of the state list) from the south-western state of Kerala, India (38,863 sq. km.). Each taxon is given half a page, and the following details are provided: English name, scientific name, Malayalam name, col., photograph, a map of the state divided into coloured cells (6.6 km x 6.6 km each), the intensity of the colour being proportional to the percentage of lists from the cell where the species has occurred. Unsurveyed cells are identified. Bar graphs show percentage of lists across the state where the taxon was present in dry and wet seasons. The seasonality graph is sectorised week-wise and indicates the percentage of lists where a taxon was reported in all eBird complete lists from Kerala, in that week, since 2015.

Two tables list the threatened (per IUCN criteria) birds found in Kerala (pp. 19–20; Table 1), and the birds endemic to the Western Ghats within Kerala (p. 21; Table 2). Eight works are listed under References.

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347. **Praveen J., S. Subramanya & Vijay Mohan Raj**

2016. *A checklist of the birds of Karnataka*. *Indian BIRDS* 12 (4&5). Hyderabad, India. New Ornithology Foundation.

Pbk. (22 x 28 cm, with illus., cover), pp. 1–30 (pp. 89–118), 11 photographs (col., various photographers), 1 map, text figures, 2 tables.

Contents: Abstract, and introd. (p. 89); Ornithology of Karnataka: A brief history (pp. 89–90); Methodology, and Specimens (pp. 90); Photographs (pp. 90–91); Observations with field notes (p. 91); Results (pp. 91–92); Notes on accepted species (pp. 92–93); Discussion, and Threatened species (p. 93); Endemic species (pp. 93–94); Conclusion (p. 94); Table 1. Checklist of birds of Karnataka (pp. 94–112); Table 2. Threatened and endemic birds of Karnataka (p. 113); Acknowledgements (p. 114); References (pp. 114–116); Appendix: Notes on species not included in the checklist (pp. 116–118).

'A checklist is the first metric of the biodiversity of an area. Here, we present a checklist of the birds of Karnataka State (India; hereinafter Karnataka). All references that deal with the collection of specimens, and all online and published sources that deal with photographs, have been collated as supporting evidence. Karnataka has 531 species of birds, 16 of which are endemic to the Western Ghats, and 27 species that fall under the various threatened categories of the IUCN. The inclusion of 524 species has been supported with collected specimens, or with clear photographs. Accepted sight records (seven species), and a secondary list of unconfirmed records are also discussed' (p. 89).

Table 1 lists 531 taxa with columnar information on each regarding specimens (All specimens, museum specimens, Koelz (1942), and Ali & Whistler (1943), photographs (all photos, eBird rich media, and Oriental Bird Images), eBird, and notes. One hundred and thirty-one works are listed under References.

Republished by Karnataka Tourism in 2017, as a special edition, to commemorate the Karnataka Bird Festival, 5–7 January 2017.

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348. Prins, Herbert H. T. & Tsewang Namgail. Eds.

2017. *Bird migration across the Himalayas: Wetland functioning amidst mountains and glaciers.* Cambridge, UK, Cambridge University Press.

Hbk. (17 x 24.5 cm, with illus., cover; issued without dust cover), pp. i–xvii, 1–440, innum., photographs (B&W, col., by various photographers), maps, text-figures, tables.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); frontisp. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); conts. (pp. v–vii); Contributors (pp. viii–xii); Foreword (p. xiii, H. H. The Dalai Lama); pref. (pp. xv–xvii); introd. (pp. 1–12); Part I: Migratory routes and movement ecology (pp. 13–142); Part II: Physiography of the highest barrier on Earth (pp. 143–216); Part III: High-altitude migration strategies (pp. 217–316); Part IV: People and their effects on the Himalayas (pp. 317–396); Part V: Conclusions (pp. 397–418); Appendix: Selected articles of the 'Central Asian Flyway Action Plan' (pp. 419–420); Gazetteer (pp. 421–432); Index (pp. 433–440).

The work is divided into four parts, and a fifth is the conclusion. These parts hold the following papers: **Part I. Migratory routes and movement ecology:** Goose migration across the Himalayas: Migratory routes and movement patterns of Bar-headed Goose (pp. 15–29, by John Y. Takekawa, Eric C. Palm, Diann J. Prosser, Lucy A. Hawkes, Nyambayar Batbayar, Sivananthaperumal Balachandran, Ze Luo, Xiangming Xiao & Scott H. Newman); Himalayan thoroughfare: Migratory routes of ducks over the rooftop of the world (pp. 30–44, by Tsewang Namgail, John Y. Takekawa, Sivananthaperumal Balachandran, Eric C. Palm, Taej Mundkur, Victor Martin Vélez, Diann J. Prosser & Scott H. Newman); Migratory routes across the Himalayas used by Demoiselle Cranes (pp. 45–57, by Hiroyoshi Higuchi & Jason Minton); Passerine migration across the Himalayas (pp. 58–81, by Simon Delany, Charles Williams, Clare Sulston, John Norton & David Garbutt); Raptor migration across and around the Himalayas (pp. 98–116, by Matias A. Juhant & Keith L. Bildstein); Steppe Eagle migration from Mongolia to India (pp. 117–127, by Nyambayar Battbayar & Hansoo Lee); Peregrine Falcons cross the 'roof of the world' (pp. 128–142, by Andrew Dixon, Lutfur Rahman, Aleksandr Sokolov & Vasilii Sokolov). **Part II. Physiography of the highest barrier on earth:** Geological origin and evolution of the Himalayas (pp. 145–154, by Michael Searle); Late Quaternary glacier fluctuations in the Himalayas and adjacent mountains (pp. 155–174, by Lewis A. Owen); The influence of hydrology and glaciology on wetlands in the Himalayas (pp. 175–188, by Bodo Bookhagen); The Himalayan vegetation along horizontal and vertical gradients (pp. 189–204, by Gopal S. Rawat); Assessing the evidence for changes in vegetation phenology in high-altitude wetlands of Ladakh (2002–2015) (pp. 205–216, by Sumanta Bagchi, Ekta Gupta, Karthik Murthy & Navinder J. Singh). **Part III. High-altitude migration strategies:** The wind system in the Himalayas: From a bird's-eye-view (pp. 219–228, by Klaus Ohlmann); Birds, gliders and uplift systems over the Himalayas (pp. 229–240, by René Heise); Goose migration over the Himalayas: Physiological adaptations (pp. 241–253, by Lucy A. Hawkes, Nyambayar Batbayar, Charles M. Bishop, Patrick J. Butler, Peter B. Frappell, Jessica U. Meir, William K. Milsom, Tseveenmyadag Natsagdorj & Graham S. Scott); Distance-altitude trade-off may explain why some migratory birds fly over and not around the Himalayas (pp. 254–268, by Thomas A. Groen & Herbert H. T. Prins); Refuelling stations for waterbirds: Macroinvertebrate biomass in relation to altitude in the trans-Himalayas (pp. 269–282, by Herbert H. T. Prins, Rob J. Janssen & Victor Martin Vélez); The Himalayas as an ecological barrier for avian migrants: High and dry, but also dangerous? (pp. 283–298, by Ron C. Ydenberg); Bird species diversity on an elevational gradient between the Greater Himalaya and the Tibetan Plateau (pp. 299–316, by Herbert H. T. Prins, Sipke E. van Wieren & Tsewang Namgail). **Part IV. People and their effects on the Himalayas:** Evidence of human presence in the Himalayan mountains: New insights from petroglyphs (pp. 319–332, by Martin Vernier & Laurianne Bruneau); Pastoralism and wetland resources in Ladakh's Changthang Plateau (pp. 333–341, by Sunetro Ghosal & Monisha Ahmed); Impacts of tourism and military presence on wetlands and their avifauna in the Himalayas (pp. 342–358, by Blaise Humbert-Droz); Birds in relation to farming and livestock grazing in the Indian trans-Himalaya (pp. 359–372, by T. R. Shankar Raman, Kulbhushansingh R. Suryawanshi & Charudutt Mishra); Migratory ducks and protected wetlands in India (pp. 373–379, by Tsewang Namgail, John

Y. Takekawa, Sivananthaperumal Balachandra, Taej Mundkur, Ponnusamy Sathiyaselvam, Diann J. Prosser, Trace McCracken & Scott H. Newman); A newtwork of small, dispersed Himalayan wetlands suitable for designation under the Ramsar Convention (pp. 380–396, by Herbert H. T. Prins, Sipke E. van Wieren & Tsewang Namgail).

The editors have brought together, within the covers of this volume, 'not only ornithologists and ecologists, but also geologists, climatologists, glaciologists, sociologists, archaeologists, and aviators,' to present papers that will 'inform and persuade policy-makers and conservation practitioners to take appropriate measures for the long-term survival of the unique migration system' that is the Central Asian Flyway. This is, by far, the most important document on the ecology of the Himalayan eco-system, with special reference to birds and their migration, and is a vital source of reference for policy, advocacy, and conservation planning.

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349. Purandare, Kiran.

2015. *Birds of our neighbourhood*. Pune, India, Jyotsna Prakashan.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–144, 109 photographs (col., various photographers), 1 portr. (col., author).

Contents: Tit. (p. 1, illus.); imp. (p. 2, illus.); ded. (p. 3, illus.); conts. (p. 4); pref. (p. 5); What is a bird? (pp. 6–8); Scientific names of birds (p. 9); Habitat (pp. 10–11); The role of birds in nature (pp. 12–15); How to describe a bird (pp. 16–22); Method for determining the length of a bird (p. 23); Species accounts (pp. 24–139); Binoculars: A bird-watcher's companion (p. 140); Scientific names of plants mentioned in the book (pp. 141–142); Acknowledgements (p. 143); About the author (p. 144); References (p. 144).

Provides general description of behaviour, breeding, etc., for forty common spp.

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349A. Quadros, Goldin, B. Hemambika, A. Julffia Begam, A. Srinivasan & P. A. Azeez.

2015. *Glimpses to the biodiversity of Ramsar sites in India*. Coimbatore, India, ENVIS Publications, SACON.

Pbk. (19 x 26.5 cm, with illus., cover), pp. [i–vi], i–iv, 1–90, innum., photographs (col., various photographers), tables, and maps (col.).

Contents: Advt. (inside front cover); Message [p. i, Ashok Lavasa, dated 24 November 2015]; Message [p. iii, A. B. Harapanahalli]; Message [p. v, M. Kannan]; Acknowledgements (p. i, authors); List of photographers (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); Acronyms (p. iv); introd. (p. 1); text (pp. 2–63); References (pp. 64–65); Appendix 1: Ramsar criteria (p. 66); Appendix 2: Table 1: Flora of Ramsar sites (pp. 67–76); Table 2: Avifauna of Ramsar sites (pp. 77–85); Table 3: Mammals of Ramsar sites (pp. 84–86); Table 4: Fishes of Ramsar sites (pp. 87–89); Ramsar Convention on wetlands (p. 90).

Table 2: Avifauna of Ramsar sites lists 150 spp.

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350. Raat, Alexander J. P.

2010. *The life of Governor Joan Gideon Loten (1710–1789): a personal history of a Dutch virtuoso*. 1st ed. Hilversum, Verloren Publishers.

Hbk. (17 x 24 cm, with illus. cover, issued without dust cover), pp. 1–830+2, pll. 1–32 (col., various), innum. illus. (monochr.).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); tit. (p. 5); quote (p. 6); Pref. (pp. 7–8; Utrecht December 2009, by Lex Raat); Conts. (pp. 9–15); Introd. (pp. 17–33); Ancestry and youth 1710–1731 (pp. 34–59); Loten's VOC-Career 1731–1757 (pp. 60–175); First years in England 1759–1763 (pp. 176–270); Loten's tour on the Continent 1763–1764 (pp. 271–304); Marriage and travel 1764–1770 (pp. 305–332); Declining health 1770–1776 (pp. 333–417); Portrait of a lonely man 1776–1781 (pp. 418–460); Last years in Utrecht 1781–1789 (pp. 461–486); The Loten natural history collection (pp. 487–557); Epilogue (pp. 558–565); Annexe (pp. 566–579); Description of the plates (pp. 580–588); Samenvatting (pp. 589–594); Notes (pp. 595–783); Bibliography (pp. 784–800); Register (pp. 801–829); Curriculum vitae (p. 830).

This is a scholarly biography of Joan Gideon Loten, Governor of Ceylon—subject of the author's dissertation to the University of Leiden. Loten was a prominent figure in the field of natural history, in eighteenth century South Asia, in that he assembled a large collection of birds, mammals, etc., and commissioned artists to paint them. These were sources for several types of various taxa.

The chapter entitled 'The Loten natural history collection' (pp. 487–557) has the following sub-sections: Loten's natural history collection (pp. 487–507); Loten's artists (pp. 508–511); Linnaeus and Loten (pp. 511–516); Loten and George Edwards (pp. 516–523); Pennant's *Indian Zoology* (pp. 523–535); Pennant's *Synopsis of quadrupeds* and *History of quadrupeds* (pp. 536–550); Peter Brown's *New illustrations of Zoology* (1776) (pp. 550–557).

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351. Radhakrishnan, C. Ed.

2002. *Fauna of Eravikulam National Park*. Conservation Area Series, 13. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India. Pbk. (20 x 28 cm, with illus. cover), pp. [i–iv], 1–97+12, pll., 1–12 (41 photographs).

Contents: Tit. [p. i]; Imp. [p. ii]; Conts. [pp. iii]; Fauna of Eravikulam National Park: An overview (pp. 1–6, by C. Radhakrishnan); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 7–9, by M. Prasad & P. P. Kulkarni); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 11–15, by M. S. Shishodia & P. P. Kulkarni); Insecta: Hemiptera (Aquatic and Semiaquatic) (pp. 17–20, by G. Thirumalai & R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Hymenoptera: Chalcidoidea (pp. 21–33, by P. M. Sureshan); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera (pp. 35–40, by C. Radhakrishnan & R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Diptera: Tephridae (pp. 41–44, by C. Radhakrishnan); Araneae: Arachnida (pp. 45–47, by D. B. Bastwade); Gordioidae: Nematomorpha (p. 49, by C. Radhakrishnan); Mollusca (pp. 51–52, by S. G. Patil); Zooecidia (Plant galls) (pp. 53–55, by R. M. Sharma); Pisces (pp. 57–62, by K. C. Gopi & B. E. Yadav); Amphibia (pp. 63–66, by C. Radhakrishnan); Reptilia (pp. 67–71, by M. S. Pradhan); Aves (pp. 73–78, by V. J. Zacharia); Mammalia (pp. 79–97, by M. S. Padhan).

The section on birds contains an annotated list of 94 taxa, and a list of five references.

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352. Radhakrishnan, C. Ed.

2007. *Fauna of Kudremukh National Park*. Conservation Area Series, 32. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India. PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–205+11, pll. I–XI (col., photographs 54), maps.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); Fauna of Kudremukh National Park—An overview (pp. 1–9, by C. Radhakrishnan); Insecta: Mantodea (pp. 11–13, by T. K. Mukherjee & A. K. Hazra); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 15–25, by S. K. Mandal, G. P. Mandal & A. K. Hazra); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 27–48, by K. G. Emiliyamma & C. Radhakrishnan); Insecta: Scelionidae: Hymenoptera (pp. 71–96, by C. Radhakrishnan & Muhamed Jafer Palot); Stream insects (pp. 97–113, by K. A. Subramanian); Pisces (pp. 115–131, by K. C. Gopi); Amphibia (pp. 133–156, by K. P. Dinesh & C. Radhakrishnan); Reptilia (pp. 157–160, by C. Radhakrishnan & Muhamed Jafer Palot); Aves (pp. 161–192, by Muhamed Jafer Palot); Mammalia (pp. 193–205, by Muhamed Jafer Palot & C. Radhakrishnan).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 161–192) records 149 taxa from surveys on 18–26 October 2005 (p. 7), and the systematic account presents the following details: Family, Scientific name, English name, habitat and status, and occurrence during the survey. Eight works are listed under references.

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353. Radhakrishnan, C., K. C. Gopi & Muhamed Jafer Palot

2006. *Mangroves and their faunal associates in Kerala with special reference to northern Kerala, India*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 246. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus. cover), pp. i–iv, 1–81+8, pll. 1–5.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii, incomplete); introd. (pp. 1–2); Mangroves in Kerala (pp. 2–23); Land use and effects on mangroves in Kerala (pp. 23–25); Observations and discussion (pp. 25–31); Conclusion (p. 32); Acknowledgements (p. 32); References (pp. 33–36); Table-2: Spider fauna (Arachnida) recorded from the mangroves in northern Kerala (pp. 37–38); Chalcidoid fauna (Hymenoptera: Insecta) recorded from the mangroves in northern Kerala (pp. 39–41); Table-5: Butterflies (Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera: Insecta) recorded from the mangroves in northern Kerala (pp. 42–43); Table-6: Molluscs recorded from the mangroves in northern Kerala (pp. 44–45); Table-7: Annelids (Polychaeta) recorded from the mangroves in northern Kerala (p. 46); Table-8: Crabs and prawns (Crustacea) recorded from the mangroves in northern Kerala (pp. 47–48); Table-9: Fishes of mangrove-estuarine system in northern Kerala (pp. 49–57); Table-10: Herpetofauna (Reptilia & Amphibia) recorded from the mangrove wetlands in northern Kerala (pp. 58–59); Table-11: Avifauna recorded from the mangrove wetlands in northern Kerala (pp. 60–72); Table-12: Mammals associated with the mangrove wetlands in north Kerala (p. 73); Table. 13: Mangrove flora of northern Kerala (pp. 74–75); text-figs. (pp. 76–77); maps (pp. 78–81); pll. (8 pp.).

The bird table lists 196 spp.

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354. Raghunathan, C., Chandrakasan Sivaperuman & Krishnamoorthy Venkataraman. Eds.

2012. *Recent advances in biodiversity of India*. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Hbk. (with illus. cover), pp. i–xvi, 1–529, several text-figs., maps, and tables.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Pref. (pp. iii–iv, by the editors); Acknowledgements (p. vi); Conts. (pp. vii–x); Contributors (pp. xi–xvi). Chapters 1–60 (pp. 1–529; on various natural history subjects, by various authors).

This book contains 60 chapters, by 120 authors, on various aspects of the biodiversity of India, covering botany and zoology.

The chapters pertinent to ornithology are: Glimpses of a few remarkable wild trees for the survival of animal species in southern Western Ghats (pp. 83–92, by Juliet Vanitharani, I. Viji Margaret, B. Kavitha Bharathi & Nalini Mabel); Structure and species composition of bird community in Great Nicobar Biosphere Reserve, Andaman and Nicobar Islands (pp. 361–374, by Chandrakasan Sivaperuman & C. Raghunathan); Status of vultures in Kolli Hills, Tamil Nadu, India (pp. 375–380, by V. Gokula & N. Jawahar Raj); Diversity and species abundance of bird communities in different habitats in the southern Western Ghats (pp. 381–389, by K. Muthamizh Selvan, Chandrakasan Sivaperuman & G. Ramaswamy); Role of common passeriform bird species in various forest ecosystem of southern Western Ghats (pp. 391–401); Resource partitioning in nesting among waterbirds at

Vedanthangal (pp. 403–408, by C. Venkataraman, R. Nagarajan & K. Thiyagesan); Diversity of wetlands birds in the Thar Desert, India (pp. 409–417, by Chandrakasan Sivaperuman); Population fluctuations of shorebirds in the Vembanad-Kole Ramsar Site, southern India (pp. 419–428, by Chandrakasan Sivaperuman & E. A. Jayson); Marine National Park and Sanctuary, Gujarat—An important avian congregation site in India (pp. Sanjeev Kumar).

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355. **Raghunathan, M. B.**

2007. *Faunal diversity of Ashtamudi wetlands, Kerala, India*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 276. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18.5 X 24.0 cm, with illus. cover), 2 pr. ll., pp. 1–38, 1 map, 6 col. photos.

Contents: Tit., imp., Conts. [pr. ll.]; Introduction (pp. 1–2); Review of the world on Ashtamudi Lake (pp. 2–16); Faunal diversity of Ashtamdi Lake (pp. 16–29); Discussion (pp. 29–31); Conclusion (p. 31); Acknowledgements (p. 32); References (pp. 32–33); Map (p. 35); Photos (pp. 36–38).

Contains a bare list of 92 taxa of birds (pp. 24–29), besides other taxa, and cites eighteen references (pp. 32–33).

Spellings of scientific nomenclature leave much to be desired. *Surniculus lugubris* listed under Psittacidae (p. 27).

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356. **Raha, Bishwarup. (1956–2018)**

2014. *Birds of Nashik District: A conservation guide*. 1st ed. Nashik, India, Nature Conservation Society of Nashik.

Hbk. (17.7 x 22.5 cm, with illus. cover, issued without dust cover), pp. 3 ll., i–viii, 1–377, 632 photographs (col.). Pagination begins on the verso.

Contents: Borgad Conservation Reserve, an overview, October 2014 (front endpaper, col., photograph); tit., imp., quotation, ded., conts. (pr. ll.); Foreword (p. i, by B. Majumdar); pref. (pp. ii–iii, by Vibhu Prakash); Message (p. iv, by Sarjan Bhagat); Message (p. v, by Arvind Patil); Message (p. vi, by G. Sai Prakash); Acknowledgements (pp. vii–viii); introd. (pp. 1–2); About the book (pp. 3–4); Location (pp. 5–6); General information about birds (pp. 7–8); Tips for bird watching (p. 9); Taxonomic families of birds (pp. 10–16); Forest birds (pp. 17–117); Grassland birds (pp. 118–210); Wetland birds (pp. 211–315); Conservation notes (pp. 316–358); Interesting facts about birds (p. 359); About the Society (p. 360); Appendices. Bibliography and list of short notes published (p. 361); Birds of Nashik District—a concise list (pp. 362–369); List of threatened birds of Nashik District (p. 370); Glossary (pp. 371–372); Index (pp. 373–375); About the author (p. 376); Notes (p. 377, ruled page); Sunset view at Gangapur Dam (rare endpaper).

This is a partially bi-lingual (English and Marathi) guide to the birds of the Nashik District, in Maharashtra State, India. Though subtitled ‘a conservation guide’, it is heavily weighted towards birds, and the main section (pp. 17–315), on the birds of the district, is divided into three parts based on habitat—forests, grasslands, and wetlands. In this section each bird is given one or two pages, with at least one large photograph, and additional smaller photographs for some species. The text of this section is bilingual. The checklist (pp. 362–369) lists 341 taxa in tabulated form, with columns for English name, Latin name, Marathi name, and page number. Twenty-seven species are listed under the IUCN Threatened Bird List 2014 criteria, for Nashik (p. 370).

The book also showcases the amazing conservation work that the Nature Conservation Society of Nashik, founded by the author, has done at Borgad, which was a barren area that members restored over the years into a vibrant wilderness.

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357. **Rahmani, Asad R.**

2012. *Threatened birds of India: their conservation requirements*. Mumbai, Indian Bird Conservation Network; Bombay Natural History Society; Royal Society for the Protection of Birds; BirdLife International; Oxford University Press.

Hbk. (20 cm x 30 cm, with illus. cover, and dust cover), pp. i–xvi, 1–864, 537 photos (col., various photographers), 143 maps, 13 illus.

Contents: Advt. [front pastedown endpaper]; tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (pp. iii–vi); Pref. (p. vii, by Asad R. Rahmani); Foreword (p. viii, by Jayanthi Natarajan); Message (p. ix, by Narendrakumar A. Baldota); Message (p. x, by Dr. Mike Clarke); Message (p. xi, by Marco Lambertini); ded. (p. xii); Acknowledgements (pp. xiii–xvi); Introd. (pp. 1–39); Trade in threatened birds in India (pp. 40–72, by Abrar Ahmed); Status of pesticide contamination in birds in India (pp. 73–91, by S. Muralidharan, S. Jayakumar & V. Dhananjayan); Dams and threatened birds in the Brahmaputra floodplains (pp. 92–104, by Neeraj Vaghlikar); India’s tiger reserves and threatened bird species (pp. 105–117, by Asad R. Rahmani); Threats and opportunities of avian conservation in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands (pp. 118–122, by Manish Chandi); *Tera*i grasslands—management and conservation perspectives for avian species (pp. 123–131, by Harish Kumar); Taxonomy, distribution and conservation status of *Strophocincla* laughingthrushes of Western Ghats (pp. 132–137, by P. O. Nameer & Praveen J.); Critically Endangered (pp. 138–228; 15 spp., accounts); Endangered (pp. 229–307; 15 spp., accounts); Vulnerable (pp. 308–568; 52 spp., accounts); Near Threatened (pp. 569–835; 66 spp., accounts); Data Deficient (pp. 836–840; 2 spp., accounts); Additional species (pp. 841–848; 3 spp., accounts); Stray records (pp. 849–851); Appendix (pp. 852–856); Threatened birds of India: IUCN status 2011 (p. 857); IUCN Red List categories and criteria (pp. 858–859); Index (pp. 860–861).

“... it is based on the BirdLife/IUCN 2011 list and contains India-specific information relevant to researchers and decision makers in this country. The book describes and illustrates 15 Critically Endangered, 15 Endangered, 52 Vulnerable, 66 Near

Threatened, and two Data Deficient species, and three additional species suggested for the BirdLife/IUCN list," (blurb on dust cover).

Review: N. J. Collar. 2012. *BirdingASIA* 18: 11.

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358. Rahmani, Asad R., Arun M. K. Bharos, Ameet Mandavia, Anurag Vishwakarma & Akhilesh Bharos.

2018. *Threatened birds of Chhattisgarh*. Raipur, Chhattisgarh, Chhattisgarh Wildlife Society.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover). pp. i–xv, 1–144, 44 photographs (col., various photographers), 6 portrs. (col.), 38 maps (col.).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); conts. (pp. v–vi); pref. (pp. vii–viii); Message (p. ix, Raman Singh); Message (p. x, Mahesh Gada); Message (p. xi, Chitranjan Kumar Khaitan); Message (p. xii, R. K. Singh); Acknowledgement (pp. xiii–xv); introd. (pp. 1–15); Critically Endangered (pp. 16–32); Endangered (pp. 33–39); Vulnerable (pp. 40–76); Near Threatened (pp. 77–134); References (pp. 135–140); Notes (pp. 141–144); about the authors (back inside cover).

This work describes 'four Critically Endangered, two Endangered, 11 Vulnerable and 19 Near Threatened species found in the state,' (blurb on back cover).

Each species account includes the following details: English, and Latin names, photograph, field characters, distribution, map showing status before and after 2010, status in Chhattisgarh, ecology, threats, conservation measures underway, and recommendations.

One hundred and six works are listed under references.

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359. Rahmani, Asad R. & Anwaruddin Choudhury.

2012. *Threatened birds of Assam*. India, Oxford University Press; Indian Bird Conservation Network; Bombay Natural History Society; Royal Society for the Protection of Birds; BirdLife International.

Pbk. (14.5 x 21.5 cm, with illus., cover), pp. [i–ii], iii–viii, 1–167, 3 portrs. (col.), 84 photos (col.; various photographers), 12 pll. (photos of pll., in col. from various sources), 16 maps (col.).

Contents: Advt. (inside front cover); tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Conts. (pp. iii–v); Pref. (p. vi; by Asad R. Rahmani & Anwaruddin Choudhury); letter (p. vii; from Rakibul Hussain); Acknowledgements (p. viii); Introd. (pp. 1–15); Critically endangered [species] (pp. 16–41); Endangered [species] (pp. 42–60); Vulnerable [species] (pp. 61–124); Near threatened [species] (pp. 125–153); References (pp. 154–165); Index of common names (p. 166); Index of scientific names (pp. 167); about the authors (back inside cover).

"The book describes seven Critically Endangered, eight Endangered, 33 Vulnerable and 28 Near Threatened species. Those species for which Assam is important for survival are described in detail, while marginal species are mentioned in brief," (Back cover blurb).

Sub-headings under each taxon include all or some of: Field characters; distribution; ecology; threats; and conservation measures underway.

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360. Rahmani, Asad R. & Kedar G. Gore. Eds.

2020. *Saving India's wilderness: Challenges and solutions*. Mumbai, India, The Corbett Foundation.

Hbk. (30 x 23.5 cm, with illus., cover, and dust cover), pp. 1–245, innum., photographs (col., by various photographers), portrs.

Contents: Frontisp., tit., imp. (pr. II.); conts. (pp. 8–9); pref. (pp. 10–11, authors, April 2020); The journey of The Corbett Foundation (1994–2019) (pp. 12–17, by Dilip D. Khatau); Special message (p. 18, by Ravi Singh); Acknowledgements (p. 19); The terai story (pp. 20–27, by A. J. T. Johnsingh & Bivash Pandav); Saving the Western Ghats (pp. 28–39, by Renee M. Borges); The science of tiger conservation (pp. 40–45, by K. Ullas Karanth); The gentle giants (pp. 46–53, by Vivek Menon); Coral reefs: Nature's master stroke (pp. 54–63, by Deepak Apte); Wetlands or wastelands? (pp. 64–73, by Kedar Gore); A hornbill leaves its home (pp. 74–79, by Aparajita Datta); The enigmatic Lesser Florican (pp. 80–89, by Asad R. Rahmani); The bear truth (pp. 90–99, by Harendra Singh Bargali); Wildlife conservation in the era of CSR (pp. 100–111, by Kedar Gore); Creative conservation at the agriculture-wildlife interface (pp. 112–117, by Naveen Pandey & Alice Bacon); Linear development and conservation: Can they coexist? (pp. 118–127, by Kishore Rithe); Saving India's tigers: Conservation challenges in Satpuda landscape (pp. 128–135, by Claudio Sillero); Spreading conservation beyond protected area boundaries (pp. 136–143, by Raghu Chundawat & Joanna Van Gruisen); Butterflies—a tool for nature conservation (pp. 144–153, by Isaac Kehimkar); What can we learn from the Africa model? (pp. 154–161, by Ashok Mahindra); A BrahMos in the Emerald Islands (pp. 162–169, by Pankaj Sekhsaria); The challenge of protecting rhinos in India (pp. 170–179, by Bibhab Kumar Talukdar); Barasingha conservation in Kanha: A success story (pp. 180–189, by Sanjay Shukla); Tiger conservation in the 21st century—the importance of forest connectivity and the need for a paradigm shift (pp. 190–197, by Anish Andheria); Wildlife in the bazaar (pp. 198–207, by Prerna Singh Bindra); Grasslands are not wastelands (pp. 208–215, by Devesh Gadhavi); Snake charming to renowned experts—the story of Indian herpetology (pp. 216–223, by Varad B. Giri); Bengal Florican: The icon of wet grasslands (pp. 224–229, by Asad R. Rahmani); Is political will extinct in India? (pp. 230–240, by Bittu Sahgal); photographs (p. 241); notes (pp. 242–245; blank pages).

This pictorial coffee-table book has been published to mark the Silver Jubilee Anniversary of The Corbett Foundation, and its emulatory work in conserving India's wilderness. The work contains 25 short, sumptuously illustrated essays by leading Indian

ecologists and naturalists, covering various fields of natural history, from butterflies to elephants. Several chapters are on birds, or contain information on their habitats.

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361. **Rahmani, Asad R., Devesh Gadhavi & Kedar Gore.**

2016. *Great Indian Bustard: A pictorial life history*. Mumbai, India, The Corbett Foundation.

Hbk. (30.0 cm x 23.5 cm, with dust cover), pp. i–x, 1–117, 1 map (col.), 127 photos (col., various photographers), 5 portraits (col.).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); Tit. (p. iii); Imprint (p. iv); Conts. (p. v, with col. photo); Pref. (p. vi, by Asad R. Rahmani, Devesh Gadhavi & Kedar Gore, dated August, 2016); Message (p. vii, by Dilip D. Khatau); Message (p. viii, by Aban Marker Kabraji); Acknowledgements (p. ix); Introduction (pp. 1–23); Flocking behaviour (pp. 24–27); Food (pp. 28–35); Display (pp. 36–41); Breeding (pp. 42–45); Maintenance activities (pp. 46–49); Bustard with other animals (pp. 50–55); Co-inhabitants of the grassland (pp. 56–93); Threats (pp. 94–109); TCF's conservation work on the Great Indian Bustard (pp. 110–115); About authors (p. 116).

An authoritative coffee-table book on the life cycle of the Great Indian Bustard and the conservation challenges it faces. Sumptuously illustrated with very fine colour photographs.

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362. **Rahmani, Asad R., Zafar-ul Islam, Khursheed Ahmad, Intesar Suhail, Pankaj Chandan & Ashfaq Ahmed Zarri.**

2012. *Important bird areas of Jammu & Kashmir: priority sites for conservation*. India, Oxford University Press; Indian Bird Conservation Network; Bombay Natural History Society; Royal Society for the Protection of Birds; BirdLife International.

Pbk. (14.5 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. [i–v], vi–xii, 1–151+1, 70+ photos (col., by various photographers), 30 maps (col.), 9 portrs. (col.);

Contents: Advt. (inside front cover); half tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); Conts. (p. v); Pref. (p. vi; by authors); Message (p. vii; from N. N. Vohra, dt., 10 September, 2012, Srinagar); Message (p. viii; Omar Abdullah); Message (p. ix; Ravi Singh); Acknowledgements (pp. x–xii); Introd. (pp. 1–27); Description of the Important Bird Areas (pp. 28–124); Proposed IBAs (pp. 125–146); References (pp. 147–150); Index (p. 151).

This work lists 21 wilderness areas as Important Bird areas, and proposes seven more. For each of the IBAs, the following details are presented: map, statistics, general description, avifauna, other key fauna, land use, threats and conservation issues, and key contributors. Ninety-three works are listed under references.

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363. **Rahmani, Asad R., M. Zafar-ul-Islam & Raju M. Kasambe.**

2016. *Important bird and biodiversity areas in India: Priority sites for conservation*. Revised and updated 2nd ed. India, Bombay Natural History Society, Indian Bird Conservation Network, Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, and BirdLife International (UK). Vol. 1 of 2 vols.

Hbk. (21 x 29.5 cm, with illus. cover; issued without dust cover), pp. 1 pr. l., i–xii, 1–1002, innum., photographs (col., various photographers), 7 portrs. (col.), innum., maps (col.), tables.

Contents: About authors...and institutions (front inside cover); half-tit. (pr. l.); tit. (p. i); imp. (pp. ii); conts. (pp. iii–iv); Message (p. v, by Mike Clarke, with portr.); Message (p. vi, by Patricia Zurita, with portr.); Message (p. vii, by Homi Khusrorkhan, with portr.); Foreword (p. viii, by Deepak Apte, with portr.); Acknowledgements (pp. ix–xii); Background (pp. 1–11); Avifauna of India (pp. 12–34); Objectives and methods of Indian IBA programme (pp. 35–39); Categories and criteria to identify Important Bird Areas (pp. 40–44); National overview (pp. 45–56); **IBAs in different states of India:** Andaman and Nicobar Islands (pp. 57–144); Andhra Pradesh and Telangana (pp. 145–208); Arunachal Pradesh (pp. 209–318); Assam (pp. 319–483); Bihar (pp. 484–531); Chhattisgarh (pp. 532–554); Delhi (pp. 555–561); Goa (pp. 562–585); Gujarat (pp. 586–658); Haryana (pp. 659–682); Himachal Pradesh (pp. 683–771); Jammu and Kashmir (pp. 772–848); Jharkhand (pp. 849–874); Karnataka (pp. 875–1002).

This 2-vol., work is a revised, and updated 2nd ed., of the earlier single-vol., work by Islam & Rahmani (2004; Pittie 2010: 408–409). The work inventories 554 sites in India that are considered Important Bird and Biodiversity Areas under the criteria of BirdLife International.

It is a singular example of cooperation between a large body of amateur and professional ornithologists and photographers that brings together a vast amount of data within its covers. The layout and content have been retained to a large extent, from the 1st ed., except, of course, for incorporating the various changes that have occurred with regard to numbers of IBAs, threatened species, reference works, etc. A cursory perusal of the work, and comparison with the 1st ed., reveals the extent of the authors' close reading and careful updation and augmentation of that text throughout this large work with up to date information.

The entry for each state has the following details: General introduction, vegetation, IBAs and protected areas, avifauna, globally threatened, near threatened, and restricted-range bird species, threats and conservation issues, and references. Tables provide lists of IBAs, and list of threatened birds with IBA site codes. This introduction is followed by individual chapters of detailed accounts for each IBA of the state, with text under the following sub-headings: Statistics, IBA criteria, protection status, map, general description, avifauna, other key fauna, land use, threats and conservation issues, key contributors, and references.

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- 364. Rahmani, Asad R., M. Zafar-ul-Islam & Raju M. Kasambe.**
2016. *Important bird and biodiversity areas in India: Priority sites for conservation.* Revised and updated 2nd ed. India, Bombay Natural History Society, Indian Bird Conservation Network, Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, and BirdLife International (UK). Vol. 2 of 2 vols.
 Hbk. (21 x 29.5 cm, with illus. cover; issued without dust cover), pp. 1 pr. l., i–iv, 1002–1992, innum., photographs (col., various photographers), 3 portrs. (col.), innum., maps (col.), tables.
Contents: About authors...and institutions (front inside cover); half-tit. (pr. l.); tit. (p. i); imp. (pp. ii); conts. (pp. iii–iv); Kerala (pp. 1003–1118); Lakshadweep (pp. 1119–1127); Madhya Pradesh (pp. 1128–1188); Maharashtra (pp. 1189–1299); Manipur (pp. 1300–1339); Meghalaya (pp. 1340–1375); Mizoram (pp. 1376–1400); Nagaland (pp. 1401–1437); Odisha (pp. 1438–1474); Pondicherry (pp. 1475–1484); Punjab (pp. 1485–1500); Rajasthan (pp. 1501–1603); Sikkim (pp. 1604–1647); Tamil Nadu (pp. 1648–1764); Tripura (pp. 1765–1775); Uttarakhand (pp. 1776–1837); Uttar Pradesh (pp. 1838–1932); West Bengal (pp. 1933–1976); Appendix (nomenclature as per Rasmussen and Anderton 2012, previous names are given in brackets, wherever changed). A2: Restricted range species (pp. 1977–1981); biomes in India (pp. 1982–1983); ded. (p. 1984, to Dato Loke Wan Tho); Index to sites (pp. 1985–1992).
 For general details, please see previous entry.
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- 365. Rahmani, Asad R., Rohit R. S. Jha, Ngulkhola Khongsai, Nikhil Shinde, Rahul Talegaonkar & Mohit Kalra.**
2017. *Studying movement pattern and dispersal of the Bengal Florican (*Houbaropsis bengalensis*): A satellite telemetry pilot project.* Mumbai, India, Bombay Natural History Society.
 PDF, pp. 1–157, 26 photographs (col.), 163 maps.
Contents: Tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); conts. (p. 5); Acknowledgements (pp. 6–11); Summary (pp. 12–13); introd. (pp. 14–17); Study areas (pp. 18–31); Methodology (pp. 32–45); Satellite tracking (pp. 46–81); Habitat restoration (pp. 82–90); Brahmaputra survey (pp. 91–104); Recommendations (pp. 106–111); Appendix I: Monthly movement of three tagged Bengal Florican (pp. 112–154); Appendix II: Bengal Florican detection survey proforma (p. 155); Appendix III: Bengal Florican *chapori* survey proforma (pp. 156–157).
 This detailed report is based upon findings from three satellite-tagged birds.
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- 366. Rahmani, Asad R., Raju Kasambe, Sujit Narwade, Pramod Patil & Noor I. Khan.**
2014. *Threatened birds of Maharashtra.* Mumbai, Oxford University Press.
 Pbk. [14.5 X 21.5 cm, illus. cover], pp. i–xii, 1–221+3, 66 photos (col., various photographers); 46 maps (col.); 5 portrs. (col.), numerous tables.
Contents: Inside front cover (adv.); half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); Conts. (pp. v–vi); Pref. (p. vii, by authors); Foreword (pp. viii–ix, by Erach Bharucha); Message (p. x, by Patangrao Kadam); Message (p. xi, by Marco Lambertini); Acknowledgements (p. xii); Introd. (pp. 1–20); Critically Endangered (pp. 21–62); Endangered (pp. 63–79); Vulnerable (pp. 80–130); Near Threatened (pp. 131–202); References (pp. 203–219); Index of Common Names (p. 220); Index of Scientific Names (p. 221).
 Three hundred and sixty-seven works are listed under references.
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- 367. Rahmani, Asad R., Sanjay Kumar, Neeraj Srivastav, Rajat Bhargava & Noor I. Khan.**
2014. *Threatened birds of Uttar Pradesh.* Mumbai, India, Indian Bird Conservation Network, Bombay Natural History Society, Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, BirdLife International, and Oxford University Press.
 Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–xiii, 1–226, innum., photographs (col., various photographers), 5 portrs. (col.), 42 maps (col.).
Contents: Advt. (front inside cover); half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); conts. (pp. v–vi); pref. (p. vii); Message (p. viii, Akhilesh Yadav); Message (p. ix, Jawed Usmani); Message (p. x, Rupak De); Foreword (p. xi, Homi Khusrookhan); Acknowledgements (pp. xii–xiii); introd. (pp. 1–23); Updates in the IUCN Red List of Threatened Birds (pp. 24–28); Extinct birds of Uttar Pradesh (pp. 29–31); Threatened birds likely to be found in Uttar Pradesh (pp. 32–34); History of avicultural traditions and the utilisation and trade of wild birds in Uttar Pradesh (pp. 35–42, by Rajat Bhargava); Critically Endangered (pp. 43–71); Endangered (pp. 72–85); Vulnerable (pp. 86–140); Near Threatened (pp. 141–208); References (pp. 209–217); Index of common names (p. 218); Index of scientific names (p. 219); advt. (pp. 220–223); notes (pp. 224–226, blank); about the authors (inside back cover).
 This work describes five Critically Endangered species, four Endangered species, twelve Vulnerable species, and nineteen Near Threatened species found in Uttar Pradesh, India. Each species account provides the following details: English, and Latin names, photograph, map, field characters, distribution, ecology, threats, conservation measures underway, and recommendations.
 One hundred and eighty works are listed under references.
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368. **Rahmani, Asad R. & Dhananjai Mohan.**
2013. *Threatened birds of Uttarakhand.* Mumbai, Oxford University Press.
 Pbk. [14.5 X 21.5 cm, illus. cover], pp. i–xii, 1–183, 66 photos (col., various photographers); 46 maps (col.); 5 portraits (col.), numerous tables.
Contents: Inside front cover (advnt.); half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); Conts. (pp. v–vi); Pref. (p. vii, by Asad R. Rahmani & Dhananjai Mohan); Foreword (p. viii, by Vijay Bahuguna); Message (p. ix, by S. S. Sharma); Message (p. x, by Homi Khusrookhan); Acknowledgements (pp. xi–xii); Introd. (pp. 1–13); Critically Endangered (pp. 14–34); Endangered (pp. 35–41); Vulnerable (pp. 42–108); Near Threatened (pp. 109–169); References (pp. 170–181); Index of Common Names (p. 182); Index of Scientific Names (p. 183).
 The work describes five Critically Endangered species, two Endangered species, eighteen Vulnerable species, and twenty Near Threatened species found in Uttarakhand. Two hundred and thirty-three works are listed under references.
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369. **Rahmani, Asad R. & Manoj V. Nair.**
2015. *Threatened birds of Odisha.* New Delhi, Indian Bird Conservation Network; Bombay Natural History Society; Royal Society for the Protection of Birds; BirdLife International; and Oxford University Press.
 Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–xii, 1–184, 87 photographs (col., various photographers), 50 maps (col.), 2 portraits (col.).
Contents: Advnt. (inside front cover); half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); conts. (pp. v–vi); pref. (p. vii); Message (p. viii, by Bikram Keshari Arukha); Message (p. ix, by Upendra Nath Behera); Foreword (p. x, by Shashi Paul); Acknowledgements (pp. xi–xii); introd. (pp. 1–29); Critically Endangered (pp. 31–57); Endangered (pp. 58–71); Vulnerable (pp. 72–105); Near Threatened (pp. 106–171); References (pp. 172–178); Index (pp. 179–180); advnt. (pp. 181–184); about the authors (back inside cover).
 The work describes eight Critically Endangered species, five Endangered species, eleven Vulnerable species, and twenty-two Near Threatened species found in Uttarakhand. One hundred and fourteen works are listed under references.
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370. **Rahmani, Asad R., Ngulkhohal Khongsai, Abidur Rahman, Mohammad Imran, Taksh Sagwan & Smarajit Ojah.**
2016. *Conservation of threatened grassland birds of the Brahmaputra floodplains—final report.* Mumbai, India, Bombay Natural History Society.
 Pbk. (8 x 11 cm, with illus. cover). pp. 1–66, photographs 26 (col., various photographers), maps 23.
Contents: tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); conts. (p. 3); acknowledgements (p. 5); introd. (pp. 6–9); Grassland cover of Assam (pp. 10–14); Surveys and methodology (pp. 15–18); Brief description of present knowledge of target species (pp. 19–32); Brief description of visited sites (pp. 33–45); Results of field work (pp. 46–55); Recommendations (pp. 56–60); The burning issues (pp. 61–62); Expected outcome of the project (p. 63); References (pp. 64–66).
 This is a report of field-based surveys of extant grasslands of the Brahmaputra Floodplains in Assam and Arunachal Pradesh. It maps distribution of globally threatened grassland-dependent species, attempts to find out habitat occupancy of some species, studies grassland management practices and their impact on grassland birds, highlights the importance of natural grasslands and provides conservation management recommendations for policy-makers. It lists eighty-one references (pp. 64–66).
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371. **Rahmani, Asad R., R. K. Birjit Singh, Taksh Sagwan, Firoz Hussain, Drama Mekola & Rustom Basumatry.**
2018. *Conservation of threatened grassland birds of the Brahmaputra floodplains—supplementary report.* Mumbai, India, Bombay Natural History Society.
 Pbk. (8 x 11 cm, with illus., cover). pp. 1–38, 35 photos (col., various photographers), 4 maps.
Contents: tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); acknowledgements (p. 3); Grassland birds of north-east India (pp. 4–5); Surveys and methodology (pp. 6–7); Results (pp. 8–17); Recommendations (pp. 18–20); References (p. 21); photographs (pp. 22–38).
 A report based on three surveys conducted in 2018 in the three Indian states of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, and Manipur, to map the distribution of globally threatened grassland-dependent species, highlight the importance of natural grasslands, and provide conservation management recommendations for policy-makers.
 Lists six references (p. 21).
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372. **Rahmani, Asad R., Bridesesh Kumar, Suhail Ahmad, Prakash Mehta & Fazlur Rahman.**
2019. *Sarus Crane in north Uttar Pradesh: Status survey of Sarus and mapping of its wetland habitat.* Mumbai, India, Bombay Natural History Society.
 Pbk. (8 x 11 cm, with illus., covers), pp. 1–109, 80 photographs (col.), tables 1–19+, text-figs. 1–25.
Contents: tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); conts. (p. 3); introd. (pp. 5–12); Study area and objectives (pp. 13–19); Results of surveys (pp. 20–38); Congregation of Sarus (pp. 39–43); Breeding (pp. 44–48); Food of Sarus (pp. 49–58); Resurvey of Sitapur wetlands (pp. 59–65); Threats to Sarus (pp. 66–85); Development of local network (pp. 86–89); Sarus workshops (pp. 90–95); Recommendations (pp. 96–99); Acknowledgements (p. 100); References (pp. 101–104); Appendix 1 (pp. 105–109).
 This is a report of a comprehensive survey of the Sarus Crane in northern region of Uttar Pradesh, India. It informs about the

population status and trend, threats to, and conservation initiatives for safeguarding the species in a human-centric landscape.

Lists seventy-two references (pp. 101–104).

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373. Raju, David & Surya Ramachandran.

2016. *Photographic field guide: Wildlife of Central India*. Chennai, India, Notion Press.

Pbk. (15 x 22 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–300, 900+ photographs (col., various photographers), 2 portrs. (col., authors), 4 maps (col.).

Contents: Advt. (inside front cover); tit, and ded. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); Acknowledgements (p. 3); conts. (p. 4); Foreword (p. 5, by Hashim Tyabji); Map of wildlife hotspots (pp. 6–7); Why this book (p. 8); Defining central India (p. 9); Taxonomy (p. 10); Topography and rainfall (pp. 11–12); Vegetation zones (pp. 13–15); Observing wildlife (pp. 16–17); Wildlife conservation in central India (pp. 18–19); Mammals (pp. 20–41); Birds (pp. 42–159); Butterflies (pp. 160–203); Dragonflies and damselflies (pp. 204–227); Amphibians (pp. 228–235); Reptiles (pp. 236–259); Further reading and references (pp. 260–263); Glossary (pp. 264–267); Taxonomic checklist (pp. 268–293); Index (pp. 294–300); About the authors (inside back cover).

This is an ideal and comprehensive field companion on the wildlife of central India, for any naturalist venturing into the region. Besides the other taxa, it covers 433 birds, that are illustrated with photographs, brief notes, and names of places where they may be best seen. A checklist is given for quick field entries (pp. 270–283). Under references for birds are listed ten works (not alphabetized). The index has English names.

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374. Ramachandran, Surya & David Raju.

2020. *Photographic field guide: Wildlife of South India*. Chennai, India, Notion Press.

Pbk. (17 x 24.5 cm, with illus., cover), pp. 1–360, 1,800+ photographs (col., by 300+ photographers), 2 portrs. (authors), 9 maps (col.).

Contents: Advt. (inside front cover); tit, and ded. (p. 1; inscribed by first author); imp. (p. 2); Acknowledgements (p. 3); conts. (p. 4); Foreword (p. 5, by Romulus Whitaker); Why this book (pp. 6–7); Defining South India (pp. 7–10); Taxonomy (p. 11); Topography and rainfall (pp. 12–14); Vegetation zones (pp. 14–19); Observing wildlife (pp. 20–21); Wildlife conservation in South India (pp. 22–23); Mammals (pp. 24–49); Birds (pp. 50–171); Butterflies (pp. 172–229); Dragonflies and damselflies (pp. 230–259); Amphibians (pp. 260–291); Reptiles (pp. 292–339); Further reading and references (pp. 340–343); Index (pp. 344–359); Notes (p. 360, blank page); About the authors (inside back cover).

This is a multi-taxa photographic guide, covering the fauna of five southern Indian states: Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, and Telangana. It covers 134 taxa of mammals, 659 of birds (751 photos), 356 of butterflies, 204 of dragonflies, 248 of amphibians, and 319 of reptiles (publisher's blurb on back cover).

The authors state, 'In this compact field guide, we have tried to cover all species of mammals, birds, butterflies, dragonflies, reptiles and amphibians that have been recorded in the region. We have refrained from including species whose true range remains unknown. Complicated family groups like insects (including moths), arachnids, fish and invertebrates have been left out to reduce the complexity and the size of this guide book. A clear photograph of the adult of the species, most often the male, has been provided for all animals. This is accompanied by a short written description that covers physical identification and field characteristics, a few behavioral notes and best viewing localities wherever applicable. Certain groups like day geckos, bush frogs and a few others have been categorised in custom designed formats for ease of comparison and reference.' (pp. 6–7.)

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375. Ramakrishna. Ed.

2002. *Fauna of Kabar Lake wetland*. Wetland Ecosystem Series No. 4. Kolkata, India, Director, Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (21 x 28 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–iv, 1–134, pll. 1–8 (col., with 16 photographs), text-figs., line-drawings, maps.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. 2); conts. (p. iii); Kaber (sic) Lake Wetland - an overview (pp. 1–14, by J.R.B. Alfred & Ramakrishna); Limnology (pp. 15–21, by Ramakrishna, E.V. Muley, A.K. Pandey & S.Z. Siddiqui); Nutrients (pp. 23–27, by S.Z. Siddiqui & Ramakrishna); Diurnal variation & phytoplankton diversity (pp. 29–37, by Ramakrishna & S.Z. Siddiqui); Macrophytic Vegetation (pp. 39–45, by Ramakrishna & S.Z. Siddiqui); Zooplankton (pp. 47–56, by S.Z. Siddiqui & Ramakrishna); Mollusca (pp. 57–63, by K.V. Surya Rao, S.C. Mitra & Ramakrishna); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 65–67, by Ramakrishna); Insecta: Coleoptera (pp. 69–75, by S. Biswas); Insecta: Hemiptera: Water bugs (pp. 77–87, by Animesh Bal & R.C. Basu); Pisces (pp. 89–106, by Kaza V. Ramarao, K.P. Singh & Ramakrishna); Amphibia (pp. 107–112, by A.K. Sarkar & S. Ray); Reptilia (pp. 113–116, by D.P. Sanyal, S.K. Talukdar & G. Dutttagupta); Aves (pp. 117–129, by Ramakrishna, S.Z. Siddiqui, E.V. Muley & M. Vasanth); Environemtnal assessment of Kabar Lake (pp. 131–134, by J.R.B. Alfred & Ramakrishna).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 117–129) lists 107 taxa and is full of erroneous spellings.

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376. Ramakrishna, Kailash Chandra, D. K. Nema, S. C. Ahirwar & J. R. B. Alfred.

2006. *Faunal resources of national parks of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh*. Conservation Area Series, 30. Kolkata, India, Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18 x 24 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–iv, 1–123, 18 pll. (73 col. photos), 9 maps, tables.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); Imprint (p. ii); Conts. (pp. iii); Introd. (p. 1); Climate (pp. 1–2); National parks of Madhya Pradesh & Chattishgarh (sic) (pp. 2–5); Faunal components of national parks in Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh (pp. 5–10); List of animals recorded from national parks of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh (pp. 12–88); Acknowledgements (p. 88); References (pp. 89–123).

Lists 442 taxa with distribution (pp. 54–81).

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377. Ramakrishna, C. Raghunathan & Chandrakasan Sivaperuman. Eds.

2010. *Recent trends in biodiversity of Andaman and Nicobar Islands*. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India. PDF, pp. i–xii, 1–542, pll. 1–31 (maps, illus., photos), figs.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); pref. (p. iii, by the authors); Acknowledgments (p. iv); conts. (pp. v–vii); Disclaimer (p. viii); Contributors (pp. ix–xii); Chapters 1–47 (pp. 1–542).

Chapters 1, 34–37, 45–46 touch upon, or engage in detail with birds. These are: **1:** Biodiversity of Andaman & Nicobar Islands: An overview (pp. 1–42, by Ramakrishna, C. Raghunathan & Chandrakasan Sivaperuman); **34:** Avifauna of Andaman and Nicobar Islands: A review (pp. 399–414, by Chandrakasan Sivaperuman, C. Venkatraman & C. Raghunathan); **35:** Foraging ecology of Andaman Crake and its conservation (pp. 415–422, by Ezhilarasi, N. & L. Vijayan); **36:** Saving globally threatened and endemic birds using the IBAs approach in Andaman and Nicobar Islands (pp. 423–434, by M. Z. Islam & A. R. Rahmani); **37:** Impact of tsunami on certain rare and threatened species of Nicobar group of islands with special reference to the Nicobar Megapode *Megapodius nicobariensis* (pp. 435–441, by K. Sivakumar); **45:** Invasives and their impact on Andaman biodiversity (pp. 511–517, by Rauf Ali); **46:** Protected area network in Andaman Islands: A gap analysis for biodiversity representation and conservation status (pp. 519–532, by V. B. Mathur & H. Padalia).

'This book is a result of detailed observation by reputed scientist working on the flora and fauna of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, the floral groups ranging from sea weed to evergreen trees and the faunal groups ranging from zooplankton to marine mammals (Dugong). There are 47 chapters, and each effort has been made by an expert or professional in their field. The book offers novel information on biodiversity of Andaman and Nicobar Islands' (p. iii). Ninety authors have contributed papers either individually, or jointly, in this volume.

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378. Ramakrishna, S. Z. Siddiqui & P. Sahu. Eds.

2006. *Faunal resources of Nalaban Wildlife Sanctuary, Chilka, Orissa*. Conservation Area Series, 29. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18 x 24 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–iv, 1–36, pll. 1–10 (col.), 1 map, tables, text-figs.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); Imprint (p. ii); Conts. (p. iii); Introduction (pp. 1–4); Materials and methods (pp. 4–5); Observations/discussions (pp. 5–22); Conclusion (pp. 22–23); References (pp. 23–26); Appendix (pp. 27–36).

Avifauna (pp. 32–36) contains a list of 93 spp.

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379. Ramakrishna, S. Z. Siddiqui, P. Sethy & S. Dash. Eds.

2006. *Faunal resources of Similipal Biosphere Reserve, Mayurbhanj, Orissa*. Conservation Area Series, 28. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18 x 24 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–iv, 1–87, pll. 1–16 (col.), 1 map (col.), tables, text-figs.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); Imprint (p. ii); Conts. (p. iii–iv); Introduction (pp. 1–10); Field studies and methodology, GBA approach (pp. 10–12); Vegetative profile (pp. 12–15); Faunal profile: Invertebrates (pp. 15–26); Faunal profile: Vertebrates (pp. 27–34); Summary (pp. 34–36); Human habitations (pp. 37–38); Threats and conservation measures (pp. 39–41); Tourist and tourism (pp. 41–45); References (pp. 45–52); Appendix (pp. 53–87).

The section on Aves (pp. 64–82) contains an annotated list.

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380. Raman, T. R. Shankar.

2019. *The wild heart of India: Nature and conservation in the city, the country, and the wild*. India, Oxford University Press. Hbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover; issued without dust cover), pp. i–xxxi, 1–476, 1 portr. (col., inside front cover); innum., line drawings (by Sartaj Ghuman).

Contents: Illustration (end papers); half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii, inscribed in my copy); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); conts. (pp. vii–x); Author's note (pp. xi–xii); pref. (pp. xiii–xvii); Prologue: Where I had always wanted to be (pp. xix–xxxi); Field days: An ecological education (pp. 1–128; 15 essays); Conservation: A world of wounds (pp. 129–266; 20 essays); Reflections: Our place in nature (pp. 267–406; 24 essays); Epilogue: Tinker, tailor, soldier, spy—a personal journey into the wild heart of India (pp. 407–)418; Notes (pp. 419–451); Common and scientific names of species (pp. 452–459); Select bibliography (pp. 460–462); Publication credits (pp. 463–468); Acknowledgements (pp. 469–476).

This collection of 59 essays, from one of the finest contemporary nature essayists of India, contains several that deal with birds.

Review: Jay Mazoomdaar. 2020. *Biblio* 25 (1–3): 31.

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381. **Ramanujam, Eric.**

2018. *In Achilles' footsteps: Adventures with the Indian Eagle-Owl*. India, Bombay Natural History Society.

Pbk. (15 x 21 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–viii, 1–165, 44 line-drawings (by the author), 1 portr. (col., back cover), 1 map.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii, illus.); imp. (p. iv); conts. (p. v); Acknowledgements (pp. vii–viii); Prologue (pp. 1–4); Auroville (pp. 5–9); The ravines around Aruoville (pp. 10–16); *Bubo bengalensis* (pp. 17–28); Field stations and working in ravines (pp. 29–38); On the prey of the Indian Eagle-Owl (pp. 39–68); Co-existence and conflict (pp. 69–83); Communication (pp. 84–115); Breeding (pp. 116–130); Conclusion (pp. 131–134); References (pp. 135–165).

This is a monograph on the Indian Eagle-Owl *Bubo bengalensis*. The work is replete with the author's arresting sketches. Four hundred and fifty-five works are listed under references.

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382. **Ramesh, Jairam.**

2017. *Indira Gandhi: A life in nature*. New Delhi, India, Simon & Schuster India.

Hbk. (15 x 23.5 cm, with embossed gilt title on spine, and illus., dust cover), pp. i–x, 1–437, 45 photographs (B&W, between pp. 214–215), 14 photographs (B&W, scattered in the volume); 1 portr. (B&W, author, back flap of dust cover).

Contents: Photograph (B&W, front end-paper); half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii, inscribed on 7/7/17); imp. (p. iv); conts. (p. v); poems (p. vii); A note on names (p. ix); A first word (pp. 1–8); The wellsprings (1917–c1943) (pp. 9–30); The companionship years (1950–1964) (pp. 31–52); The naturalist Prime Minister–I (1966–1977) (pp. 53–244); Out of office (1977–79) (pp. 245–264); The naturalist Prime Minister–II (1980–1984) (pp. 265–409); A final word (pp. 411–417); A note on sources (pp. 418–419); A note of thanks (pp. 420–423); Bibliography (pp. 424–428); Index (pp. 429–437); photograph (B&W, read end-paper).

India's Prime Minister for sixteen years, Indira Gandhi played a pivotal role in the conservation of the country's wilderness areas. This biography is a tribute to her untiring efforts in championing the preservation of the country's natural resources.

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383. **Ranasinghe, Douglas B.**

2015. *The faithful foreigner: Thilo Hoffmann, the man who saved Sinharaja*. Sri Lanka, A. Baur & Co. (Pvt.) Ltd.

Hbk. (16.5 x 21.5, with tit., on top and on spine; with illus. dust cover), pp. i–xxviii, 29–512, 72 pp. (57 photographs, col., 48 photographs B&W), 2 maps (folded in paste down pocket in inside front cover), 2 ports. (dust cover).

Contents: Maps (col., two, inside front cover); half-tit. (p. i); frontisp. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); conts. (pp. v–vii); Foreword (pp. ix–xii, by T.S.U. De Zylva); Acknowledgements (p. xv); introd. (pp. xvii–xxiv, by author); List of abbreviations (pp. xxv–xxvi); note (p. xxvii); The two homelands (pp. 29–58); Travel and exploration (pp. 61–111); Understanding nature (pp. 113–148); The W. N. P. S. (pp. 151–169); Saving Sinharaja (pp. 171–187); Protecting nature (pp. 189–226); The adviser (pp. 229–256); The ornithologist (pp. 259–292); Looking back and forward (pp. 295–335); plates (72 pp.); Appendices I–XXVI (pp. 337–474); Glossary of terms (pp. 477–481); References and notes (pp. 482–483); Index (pp. 485–512). Large print text.

This is a biography of Thilo Hoffmann (1922–2014), the Sri Lankan ornithologist. The 26 appendices are, in the main, a rich, and rare collection of articles that Thilo Hoffmann wrote in support of the conservation of Sri Lanka's wilderness areas.

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384. **Rangarajan, Mahesh.**

2015. *Nature and nation: Essays on environmental history*. Ranikhet, India, Permanent Black.

Hbk. (13.5 x 21 cm, with illus., cover (bis. dust cover), pp. i–xiv, 1–346, 1 portr. (author, inside black flap of dust cover).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); advt. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii, inscribed); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); conts. (pp. vii–viii); pref., and acknowledgements (pp. ix–xiii); Introduction: Issues in the writing of environmental history (pp. 1–45); **I. Nature's past:** The Raj and the natural world: The war against 'dangerous beasts' in colonial India (pp. 46–85); From princely symbol to conservation icon: A political history of the lion in India (pp. 86–142); **II. Nature's present:** Gandhi's notion of ahimsa and the human–nature relationship (pp. 143–150); Striving for a balance: Nature, power, science, and India's Indira Gandhi 1917–1984 (pp. 151–189); Of nature and nationalism: Rethinking India's Nehru (pp. 190–211); Five nature writers: Jim Corbett, Kenneth Anderson, Sálím Ali, Kailash Sankhala, and M. Krishnan (pp. 212–233); **III. Nature's future:** The politics of ecology: The debate on wildlife and people in India 1970–1995 (pp. 234–293); Parks, politics, and history: Conservation dilemmas in Africa (pp. 294–328); Contesting conservation: Nature, politics, and history in contemporary India (pp. 329–346).

This volume contains ten essays on India's environmental history. It is interspersed with bird-related material, especially, with regard to the work of Sálím Ali, Zafar Futehally, and M. Krishnan.

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385. **Rangarajan, Mahesh, M. D. Madhusudan & Ghazala Shahabuddin. Eds.**

2014. *Nature without borders*. Hyderabad, India, Orient Blackswan Private Limited.

Hbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover, and dust cover), pp. i–xii, 1–270.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii, inscribed by last author); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); conts. (pp. vii–viii); Pref. and acknowledgments (pp. ix–xii); Nature without borders: An introduction (pp. 1–40, by Mahesh Rangarajan, M. D. Madhusukan & Ghazala Shahabuddin); Trawling the shorelines: Fished out and squandered (pp. 41–57, by Aaron Savio Lobo & Rohan Arthur); Restoring the Ganga for its fauna and fisheries (pp. 58–80, by Nachiket Kelkar & Jagdish Krishnaswamy); Sarus Cranes, cultivators and conservation (pp. 81–94, by K. S. Gopi Sundar); Citizen action and lake restoration in Bengaluru (pp. 95–106, by Harini Nagendra, Ramesh Sivaraman & S. Subramanya); The fight for an urban forest: The Delhi Ridge (pp. 107–130, by Ravi Agarwal); Black sheep and grey wolves: Pastoralism in the Deccan (pp. 131–156, by Nitya Sambamurti Ghotge & Sagari R. Ramdas); Conservation without fences: Project Snow Leopard (pp. 157–177, by Yash Veer Bhatnagar & Charudutt Mishra); Restoring nature: Wildlife conservation in landscapes fragmented by plantation crops in India (pp. 178–214, by Divya Mudappa, M. Ananda Kumar & T. R. Shankar Raman); Bibliography (pp. 215–254); Notes on the contributors (pp. 255–258); Index (pp. 259–270).

This volume of essays is dedicated to Dr Ravi Sankaran (1963–2009).

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386. Ranjitsinh, M. K.

2017. *A life with wildlife: From princely India to the present.* New Delhi, India, HarperCollins Publishers India.

Hbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus., dust cover), pp. i–xii, 1–380, 64 photographs (col.), 3 photographs (B&W), 1 photograph (sepia; all between pp. 180–181 and 196–197), 1 portr. (author, on back flap of dust cover), 1 map.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); India 1938 (p. ii, map; frontisp.); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); conts. (p. vii); pref. (pp. ix–xi); Wankaner (pp. 1–12); Dungarpur (pp. 13–22); Wildlife in princely India (pp. 23–52); Kashmir (pp. 53–76); Bhutan (pp. 77–86); Madhya Pradesh (pp. 87–110); Indira's India (pp. 111–157); The wilds of Asia (pp. 158–183); The forests of Central India (pp. 184–213); Bhopal, gas and Union Carbide (pp. 214–233); Environment and forests, Ganga and Narmada (pp. 234–274); Conservation outside of government (pp. 275–326); Cheetah (pp. 327–338); Conservation in the twenty-first century (pp. 339–350); Bibliography (pp. 351–356); List of species mentioned in text (pp. 357–368); Index (pp. 369–378); Acknowledgements (pp. 379–380).

'Dr M. K. Ranjitsinh has had an unparalleled role in India's wildlife conservation history' (publisher's blurb on inside front flap of dust cover). This is his autobiography, and it is peppered with references to birds and their conservation.

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387. Rao, D. V., Kailash Chandra & Kamla Devi.

2013. *Endemic fauna of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Bay of Bengal.* Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF, pp. 1–292, 1 map (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); conts. (p. 3); introd. (pp. 4–7); Systematic list of endemic species/subspecies of A and N Islands (pp. 7–35); Mammals (pp. 36–43); Birds (pp. 43–75); Reptiles (pp. 75–83); Amphibia (pp. 84–86); Fishes (pp. 86–120); Molluscs (pp. 121–143); Earthworms (pp. 143–144); Crustaceans (pp. 144–148); Insects (pp. 148–263); Arachnida (pp. 263–265); Chelopoda (p. 265); Sponges (pp. 265–271); Soft & stinging corals (pp. 271–274); Spiny crown worms (pp. 274–271); Protozoans (pp. 275–276); Meiofauna (pp. 276–284); Discussion (pp. 284–287); Summary (p. 287); Acknowledgements (pp. 287–288); References (pp. 288–292).

The pagination given in the conts., does not match the printed text.

The section on endemic birds (pp. 43–75) lists 90 species and subspecies (14 full spp., and 76 ssp.), and gives the following details for each taxon: Scientific name, references, common name, habitat, habits, distribution, and status.

Under References, seventy-two works are listed.

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388. Rao, D. V. & D. R. K. Sastry

2007. *Fauna of Button Island National Park, South Andaman, Bay of Bengal.* Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 270. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18 x 24 cm, with illus. cover); 2 pr. ll., 1–54, pll. I–VI (col., with 36 photos), 1 map.

Contents: Tit., imp., conts. (pr. ll.); Introduction (pp. 1–3); Topography of the islands (pp. 3–4); Fauna (pp. 4–7); Annexure-I: List of fauna of Button Island National Park (pp. 7–45); Reference (p. 45); Plates (pp. 47–54).

List 40 species of birds.

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389. Rao, Kaza V. Rama. Ed.

1995. *Fauna of Chilka Lake.* Wetland Ecosystem Series No. 1. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18 x 24 cm, with illus. cover), pp. [i–vi], 1–673, innumerable col. photographs, 6 maps (col.), tables, text-figs.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Foreword (p. iii, by A. K. Ghosh, dated November, 1995); Conts. (pp. v–vi); Appraisal (pp. 1–10, by Kaza V. Rama Rao); Limnology, Protozoa, Porifera, Anthozoa, Trematoda, Nematoda, Annelida, Crustacea, Mollusca, Sipuncula and Echiura, Echinodermata, and Protochordata (pp. 11–481, by various authors); Pisces (pp. 483–506, by Kaza V. Rama Rao); Reptilia and Amphibia (pp. 507–560, by T. S. N. Murthy); Aves (pp. 561–599, by S. Chattopadhyay); Mammalia (pp. 601–613, by various authors); Phyto and Zooplankton (pp. 615–654, by various authors); Meroplankton (pp. 655–672, by P. Dhandapani).

The chapter on birds (pp. 561–599) lists 175 spp., from three expeditions between June 1986 and October 1987, and earlier records.

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390. Rasmussen, Pamela C. & John C. Anderton.

2012. *Birds of South Asia: The Ripley guide: Field guide*. 2nd ed. Washington, D.C. and Barcelona, Smithsonian Institution and Lynx Edicions. Vol. 1 of 2 vols.

Pbk. (15.0 x 22.0cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–378+6, pll. I–II (endpapers, front), III–IV (endpapers, rear), pll. 1–180 (col. 1–8, 10–12, 14–180; B&W. 9, 13), 1,450+ maps (col., distribution)

Contents: Endpapers (front and back, illus.); half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); Conts. (p. 5); List of plates (pp. 5–8); How to use the Field Guide (p. 9); Field Guide (pp. 11–371); Index to genera and group names in plates and maps (plate index) (pp. 372–378); Notes (6 unnum., pp.). Artists: Jonathan Alderfer (50–51, 52–57); John C. Anderton (9, 12–14, 45–47, 72–74, 80–81, 84, 87, 89–95, 99–101, 104–110, 115–118, 122–145, 148–149, 154–157, 174–177, 180); Hilary Burn (16, 42–44, 48–49, 65, 70–71, 178–179); Albert E. Gilbert (85–86, 88); Cynthia House (17–19); Ian Lewington (1–6, 59–60, 66, 68, 146–147, 150–153); Larry B. McQueen (75–79, 119–121, 158–173); Hans Peeters (20); N. John Schmitt (7–8, 10–11, 21–41, 50–51, 53, 58, 82–83); Thomas Schultz (61–64, 102–103, 111–114); Kristin Williams (67, 69); Bill Zetterström (96–98).

This field guide to the avifauna of South Asia [=Afghanistan, Pakistan, India, Nepal, Tibet, Bhutan, Bangladesh, Burma, Sri Lanka, Maldives and Chagos Archipelago] has plates on the recto pages and corresponding text and maps on the facing verso pages. The endpapers have plates of keys to the main plates. The distribution maps are based primarily on museum specimen records and so do not, in several cases, reflect the actual distribution of species, ignoring visual records that were published in refereed journals. The plates are, by and large, of a very high standard. Some, like pl., 132, do not depict the true plumage colour of the *Turdoides* species, which tend generally towards a dirty brown rather than the grey shown. On some plates, plumages are depicted much darker than actual colours (e.g., pll. 84 and 104), giving a wrong impression of some taxa (e.g. *Coracina melanoptera* on pl. 104). Maps indicate distribution, status (breeding visitor, endemics, geographic variation, year-round resident, two-way migration, spring migration, fall migration, winter visitor, isolated record and special status).

A second volume contains detailed notes on each taxon. See also: Collar, N.J. & Pilgrim J.D. 2007. *BirdingASIA* 8: 16–18; Inskipp, T.P., Collar, N.J., Pilgrim, J.D., & Mahood, S.P., 2013. *BirdingASIA* 20: 53–63.

Reviews: Praveen J., 2012. www.conservationindia.org/resources/bsa-2; P. Kennerley. 2012. *British Birds* 105 (12): 754–755; Frank Lambert. 2013. *BirdingASIA* 19: 14–15.

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391. Rasmussen, Pamela C. & John C. Anderton.

2012. *Birds of South Asia: The Ripley guide: Attributes and status*. 2nd ed. Washington, D.C. and Barcelona, Smithsonian Institution and Lynx Edicions. Vol. 2 of 2 vols.

Pbk. (15.0 x 22.0cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–683+5, endpapers [Maps (front: South Asia, physical; back: South Asia, main regional habitat zones)], 3 portrs. [B&W: S. D. Ripley (p. 8), Pamela Rasmussen (p. 11), John C. Anderton (p. 11)], text–figs. 1–5 (Fig. 1: Bird topology; fig. 2: Geographic and political names mentioned in text; fig. 3: Number of breeding species; fig. 4: Number of regional endemic species; fig. 5: sample sonograms); 1,000+ sonograms.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); Conts. (p. 5); List of families (p. 6); Preface: An appreciation of S. Dillon Ripley (by Bruce Beehler, pp. 8–10); About the authors (p. 11); Introduction [pp. 12–35: Coverage of the book; Geography and avifauna; Moults and plumages; Measurements; Illustrations; Identification (ID); Vocalisations; Taxonomy; Names; Maps; Records; History of ornithology in South Asia; Conservation]; Acknowledgements (pp. 36–38); Species accounts and sonograms (pp. 39–601); Appendix 1: Hypothetical species (pp. 603–604); Appendix 2: Rejected species (p. 605); Appendix 3: Taxonomic changes (pp. 606–613); Appendix 4: Glossary (pp. 614–616); Appendix 5: Gazetteer of localities mentioned in text (pp. 617–623); Appendix 6: Major birding localities (pp. 624–625); Appendix 7: Useful addresses and contacts (p. 626); Appendix 8: Brief regional histories (pp. 627–629); Appendix 9: Major regional specimen holdings by museum (p. 630); Appendix 10: Threatened species (p. 631); References (pp. 633–640); Main index (pp. 641–683).

The taxonomic Family sequence followed is: Gaviidae; Podicipedidae; Procellariidae; Hydrobatidae; Phaethontidae; Pelecanidae; Sulidae; Phalacrocoracidae; Anhingidae; Fregatidae; Ardeidae; Ciconiidae; Threskiornithidae; Phoenicopteridae; Anatidae; Accipitridae; Pandionidae; Falconidae; Megapodiidae; Phasianidae; Turnicidae; Gruidae; Rallidae; Heliornithidae; Otididae; Jacanidae; Rostratulidae; Haematopodidae; Charadriidae; Scolopacidae; Recurvirostridae; Phalaropodidae; Dromadidae; Burhinidae; Glareolidae; Stercorariidae; Laridae; Sternidae; Rynchopidae; Pteroclididae; Columbidae; Psittacidae; Cuculidae; Tytonidae; Strigidae; Podargidae; Caprimulgidae; Apodidae; Hemiprocidae; Trogonidae; Alcedinidae; Meropidae; Coraciidae; Upupidae; Bucerotidae; Capitonidae; Indicatoridae; Picidae; Eurylaimidae; Pittidae; Alaudidae; Hirundinidae; Motacillidae; Campephagidae; Bombycillidae; Hypocoliidae; Monarchidae; Pachycephalidae; Rhipiduridae; Pycnonotidae; Aegithinidae; Chloropseidae; Laniidae; Cinclidae; Troglodytidae; Prunellidae; Turdidae; Muscicapidae; Timaliidae; Cisticolidae; Sylviidae; Regulidae; Aegithalidae; Remizidae; Paridae; Sittidae; Certhiidae; Dicaeidae; Nectariniidae; Zosteropidae; Emberizidae; Fringillidae; Estrildidae; Passeridae; Ploceidae; Sturnidae; Oriolidae; Irenidae; Dicruridae; Artamidae; Corvidae.

The main part of the work, the species accounts, gives a brief introduction to each family and under the species' name, gives the following sub-headings and corresponding text: HB (the serial numbers in Ali & Ripley's Handbook); ID (with plumage

details of male, female, young, in flight, etc.); Variation; Size; Occurs; Habits; Taxonomy; Voice. The authors have given weightage to specimen records in marking the distribution ranges of taxa. Sight records, unless supported by photographic or conclusive published records, have been ignored. Taxonomically this is a path-breaking work. The authors propose several changes wherein races have been elevated to specific level. The appendices at the end form an integral part of the entire work.

See also: Collar, N.J. & Pilgrim J.D. 2007. *BirdingASIA* 8: 16–18.

Review: Praveen J., 2012. www.conservationindia.org/resources/bsa-2.

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392. Rathore, Narendra S. Ed.

2004. *Fauna of Desert National Park, Rajasthan (Proposed Biosphere Reserve)*. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF, pp. i–iv, 1–135+5, pll. I–V (col., 10 photographs), maps

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); Desert National Park—An overview (pp. 1–32, by N. S. Rathore); Plant and soil nematodes (pp. 33–38, by Q. H. Baqri & P. Bohra); Mollusca (pp. 39–44, by K. V. Surya Rao, S. C. Mitra & R. N. Manna); Insecta: Thysanura (pp. 45–50, by A. K. Hazra, M. Biswas & S. K. Mitra); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 51–58, by M. Prasad); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 59–65, by M. S. Shishodia); Insecta: Dermaptera (pp. 67–68, by G. K. Srivastava); Insecta: Mantoidea (pp. 69–70, by M. S. Shishodia); Insecta: Isoptera (pp. 71–78, by N. S. Rathore & N. Tak); Insecta: Diptera (pp. 79–80, by S. Kumar); Insecta: Lepidoptera (pp. 81–84, by D. R. Maulik); Insecta: Hymenoptera (pp. 85–90, by N. Tak & N. S. Rathore); Insecta: Hymenoptera: Aculeata (pp. 91–99, by R. N. Tiwari, B. G. Kundu, S. Roychowdhury & S. N. Ghosh); Arachnida: Scorpions (pp. 101–103, by D. B. Bastawade); Acarina: Metastigmata (pp. 105–108, by A. K. Sanyal & S. K. De); Amphibia (pp. 109–110, by S. K. Chanda); Reptilia (pp. 111–117, by R. C. Sharma & N. S. Rathore); Aves (pp. 119–130, by P. L. Kankane); Mammalia (pp. 131–135, by P. L. Kankane); Plates I–V.

The chapter on Aves (pp. 119–130) 'contains a list of 107 species and subspecies of birds ... mainly based on field notes and collection brought by survey parties, including present author (two week each in October '95 and February '97) from the study area' (p. 119). Seventeen works are listed under references.

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393. Rathore, Vijayaditya Singh.

2019. *Birds of Chandbagh: A guide to birding at The Doon School*. India, Published by the author.

Hbk. (15 x 21 cm, cloth, with reverse embossed gilt title, and spine; illus., dust cover), pp. [i–vii], 1–277 gilt edged (pagination commencing on verso), 17 pll. [col., (11 by the author, 5 by Shiv Kunal Verma, and 1 by Sahdev Singh)], 252 photographs (col., most by author), 1 portr. (col., dust cover back flap, author).

Contents: Tit. [p. i]; imp. [p. ii]; ded. [p. iii]; list of illus. [p. iv]; conts. [pp. vi–vii]; Acknowledgements (pp. 1–2); Foreword I: Matthew Raggett (Headmaster, The Doon School) (p. 3); Foreword II: Shiv Kunal Verma (182-H, Batch of 1976); Book I (pp. 5–42); Book II: Bird plumage and terminology (pp. 43–44); How to use the book (p. 45); Bird guide (pp. 46–246); Vagrants and rare visitors (p. 247); Bibliography (p. 248) Birding lingo (pp. 249–255); Checklist (pp. 256–265); Index (pp. 266–275); Notes (pp. 276–277; ruled, blank pages).

Book I comprises 23 short reminiscences by the author, his contemporaries, and ex-students of Doon School, with charming illustrations. The author is not just a good photographer, but also an accomplished artist.

Book II is a guide to 205 spp., of birds found on the school campus. Each species is given one page with a photograph (sometimes a second, smaller one too), and a short description, with information on habits, diet, habitat, and size. This is the second work on the birds of South Asia that provides the calls of species via a Quick Response (QR) code (the first being Singal 2019), and the first to include its range within the QR code, which connects to the online database of Xeno-canto, where one can hear the audio call of the bird, and see its distribution on a map.

An exceptional photograph on p. 86, entitled 'Brood parasitizing in cuckoos' shows a House Crow *Corvus splendens* feeding a female fledgeling of the Koel *Eudynamys scolopacea*, while two more female, and two male youngsters beg with open beaks—a brood of five!

The checklist provides the status of each species, and five columns for recording dates of observation, and boxes to check for sightings, etc.

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394. Reeber, Sébastien.

2015. *Wildfowl of Europe, Asia and North America*. London, Christopher Helm.

Hbk. (17 x 24 cm, with gilt title on spine, and illus. dust cover), pp. 1–656, pll. 1–72 (col., by the author), 650 photographs (col., various photographers).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); conts. (p. 5); ded. (p. 6); Acknowledgements (p. 7); How to use this book (pp. 8–10); Taxonomy and systematics (pp. 11–12); Avian topography (pp. 12–13); Molt and plumages (pp. 13–20); Ageing and sexing (pp. 20–25); Hybridisation (pp. 25–31); Colour plates (pp. 32–175); Species accounts (pp. 177–616); References (pp. 617–650); Hybrids index (pp. 651–654); Species index (pp. 655–656).

This 'is a comprehensive reference summarising current knowledge on the identification of the different species and

subspecies of ducks, geese and swans in Europe, Asia and North America—in essence the Holarctic zoogeographical region. The detailed species accounts cover taxonomy, specific and subspecific identification feature, determination of age and sex, geographic variation, measurements, voice, moult and hybridisation. In addition, the current status of each species is treated with up-to-date information on distribution, population size, habitat and life-cycle ... [the photographs and artwork] ... represent most of the plumages of each of the 84 species treated in this book, as well as more than 100 hybrids that are observed more or less regularly in the wild. The photos are provided with captions that focus on the most important features, and the plates are accompanied by succinct caption text and distribution maps.

'This ... identification guide provides an unrivalled level of detail and a wealth of information and illustrations' (publisher's blurb on front flap of dust cover).

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395. Reid, George. Ed.

1890. *Catalogue of the birds in the Provincial Museum, N.-W. P. and Oudh, Lucknow, on the 1st April 1889*. 2nd ed. Allahabad, North-Western Provinces and Oudh Government Press.

Hbk. (14.0 x 21.5 cm), 1 l., pp. i–iv, 1–357.

Contents: Tit. (1 l.); Pref. (pp. i–ii, by; Geo Reid, dated 15th October, 1889); Index to the abbreviations of the names of authorities quoted in catalogue (pp. iii–iv); Catalogue (pp. 1–279); Appendix (pp. 281–337); Index (pp. 339–357).

"This catalogue, like the previous one, aims at being nothing more than an accurate record of the purely Indian birds now in the Museum, now 783 in number, represented by 5,360 specimens." (p. i).

The Appendix consists of species accounts of 78 taxa that are in the museum's collection, but were not mentioned in Jerdon's *Birds of India*. The accounts here have been taken from 'the works of well-known authorities...' (p. i). Lists three skins of adult *Rhodonessa caryophyllacea*, and one of an adult *Marmaronetta angustirostris* from 'Lucknow'.

See Pittie (2010: 614); Zarrin (2016).

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396. Renner, Swen C. & John H. Rappole. Eds.

2011. *Avifauna of the Eastern Himalayas and southeastern sub-Himalayan Mountains: Center of endemism or many species in marginal habitats?* Ornithological Monographs No. 70. Washington, D.C., USA, The American Ornithologists' Union.

Pbk. (18 x 25.5, with illus., cover), pp. i–viii, 1–166+2, maps (several), 1 portr. (B&W), innum., text-figs., sonographs.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); cover caption (p. iv); Table of contents (p. v); ded. (p. vi, portr., of U. Uga); From the editor (p. vii, by Michael L. Morrison); Bird species-richness pattern in the Greater Himalayan Mountains—a general introduction (pp. 1–9, by Swen C. Renner); Ornithological exploration in the southeastern sub-Himalayan region of Myanmar (pp. 10–29, by John H. Rappole, Thein Aung, Pamela C. Rasmussen & Swen C. Renner); Avifauna of the Gaoligong Shan Mountains of western China: A hotspot of avian species diversity (pp. 30–63, by John P. Dumbacher, Jeremy Miller, Maureen E. Flannery & Yang Ziaojun); Phylogeny, biodiversity, and species limits of passerine birds in the Sino-Himalayan region—a critical review (pp. 64–94, by Jochen Martens, Dieter Thomas Tietze & Martin Päckert); The breeding avifauna of the sub-Himalayan zone of northern Kachin State, Myanmar (pp. 95–108, by Pamela C. Rasmussen, Thein Aung & John H. Rappole); Ornithology of northern Myanmar (pp. 109–141, by Hazel Khin Ma Ma Thwin, Kyi Soe Lwin, Swen C. Renner & John P. Dumbacher); Description of first basic plumage of three Muscicapid species found in the southeastern sub-Himalayan foothills, with notes on their taxonomy and ecology (pp. 142–152, by Swen C. Renner & John H. Rappole); Bird diversity, biogeographic patterns, and endemism of the eastern Himalayas and southeastern sub-Himalayan Mountains (pp. 153–166, by Swen C. Renner & John H. Rappole).

'This work ... provides far more than natural history notes on this little-studied region ... The papers herein provide insights into species distributional ranges and ecology ... As detailed in Chapter 1, descriptions of the distribution of species across climate, elevation, and vegetation gradients supplies the foundation we need to understand why diversity varies at least at broad spatial extents. These data, in turn, form the basis for initial conservation initiatives ... The core of the papers presented herein were presented at the joint meeting of the American Ornithologists's Union, the Cooper Ornithological Society, and the Society of Canadian Ornithologists in 2008; additional papers were added following the symposium to round out the work' (p. vii).

This is an important work for the region.

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397. Renner, Swen C., John H. Rappole, Christopher M. Milensky, Myint Aung, Nay Myo Shwe & Thein Aung

2015. *Avifauna of the southeastern Himalayan Mountains and neighboring Myanmar hill country*. Bonn Zoological Bulletin 62 (Supplementum).

PDF, pp. 1–75, 26 photographs (col.), 7 maps, tables, text-figs.

Contents: Tit. (p. 1); contents (p. 2); introd., and Objectives (p. 3); Study area (pp. 4–6); Geology (pp. 6–8); Climate (pp. 8–9); Habitats (pp. 9–16); History and ornithology studies (pp. 17–18); Methods (pp. 18–20); Results (p. 20); Species accounts (pp. 20–51); Discussion (pp. 51–55); Conservation (pp. 55–56); Acknowledgements (p. 56); Bibliography (pp. 56–59); Appendices: Appendix 1. Hkakabo Razi Region gazetteer and locality names as used (pp. 60–61); Appendix 2. Locality names (pp. 62–63); Appendix 3. Specimen list (pp. 64–75); Appendix 4. Species list. Website URL: <https://zoologicalbulletin.de/>

BzB_Volumes/BzM_62/BzM62_Renner_et_al_Appendix_4.pdf (p. 75); Appendix 5. Morphometric measurements of selected species. Website URL: https://zoologicalbulletin.de/BzB_Volumes/BzM_62/BzM62_Renner_et_al_Appendix_5.pdf (p. 75).

'This monograph provides significant new insights into the biology and biogeography of the birds that inhabit the northernmost tip of Myanmar. The area's hill jungle is largely untouched by humans and has not been visited by ornithologists since the late 1940s. Even today, this jungle can be considered a primary forest in the literal sense and a "white map" area for most biodiversity. During our recent visits to this extraordinary, species-rich area we compiled an inventory of the avifauna that includes records of more than 440 species. Although the area inventoried covers only about one percent of the land surface of Myanmar, the species reported in the inventory include endemics as well as globally threatened taxa and represent more than a third of all known bird species from the country. By evaluating in detail the subspecific relationships of the Hkakabo Razi rainforest avifauna, we conclude that the bird avifauna community of northern Myanmar is most similar to the one found in the avifauna of the temperate rainforests of northeastern India' (Summary on back cover).

253 taxa are treated in the species accounts, and following details provided: documentation, abundance, movements, and comments.

Complete checklist uploaded as Appendix 4 to this URL: http://zoologicalbulletin.de/BzB_Volumes/BzM_60/BzM_Renner_et_al_Appendix_4.pdf.

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398. Rodrigues, Maxim & Prashantha Krishna M. C.

2020. *An atlas of the birds of Kasaragod*. Kerala, India, Kerala Forests and Wildlife Department (Social Forestry, Kasaragod Division), Kasaragod Birders, Bird Count India.

PDF. (with illus., cover), pp. 1–126, 234 maps (col.)

Contents: Map (col., inside front cover); tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); Acknowledgements (p. 3); introd. (p. 4) Kerala Bird Atlas Project (p. 4); Methodology (pp. 5–6); Analysis (p. 7); How to read the visualisations (p. 8); Species accounts (pp. 9–126).

This atlas, the result of citizen science, lists 234 taxa of birds from Kasaragod District, Kerala (India). Each taxon is given half a page, and the following details are provided: English name, scientific name, bar graphs show trends of presence in percentage of lists across the district where the taxon is present in dry and wet seasons, and a seasonality graph that is sectorised week wise, indicating the percentage of lists where a taxon is present in all eBird complete lists from Kasaragod District since 2015 uploaded for that particular week of a year.

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399. Rohatgi, Pauline & Pheroza J. Godrej. Eds.

1989. *India: A pageant of prints*. Mumbai, India, Marg Publications.

Hbk. (24 x 32 cm, cloth, with gilt tit., on spine; illus. dust cover), pp. i–xii, 1–240, 216 illustrations (col., various sources).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); Acknowledgements (p. iv); introd. (pp. v–xii, by Pauline Rohatgi & Pheroza J. Godrej); The peoples of India (pp. 1–20, by Mildred Archer); A floral paradise (pp. 21–36, by Ray Desmond); William Hodges and the Daniells at Agra (pp. 37–52, by Pauline Rohatgi); The Tipu mania: Narrative sketches of the conquest of Mysore (pp. 53–70, by Anne Buddle); The travels of Henry Salt and Lord Valentia in India (pp. 71–88, by Pheroza Godrej); Early European images of the East (pp. 89–96, by John Correia-Afonso, S.J.); Elephanta and Salsette illustrated: Early archaeological studies in western India (pp. 97–110, by Susan Gole); The beginnings of printing in Bombay (pp. 111–124, by Graham Shaw); The beginning of lithographic map printing in Calcutta (pp. 125–134, by Andrew S. Cook); Sir Charles D'Oyly's lithographic press and his Indian assistants (pp. 135–160, by Jeremiah P. Losty); A bountiful Ark (pp. 161–176, by Ray Desmond); Amateur artists in western India: James Forbes and Robert Melville Grindlay (pp. 177–194, by Pauline Rohatgi); Eating habits of the British in India (pp. 195–208, by Shalini Devi Holkar); Some monuments of old Madras (pp. 209–224, by S. Muthiah & Pauline Rohatgi); A gallery of Governors-General (pp. 225–239, by); Figure acknowledgements (p. 240).

The scholarly articles in work record the colonial history of India through the medium of prints. Pertinent are these three papers: Sir Charles D'Oyly's lithographic press and his Indian assistants (pp. 135–160, by Jeremiah P. Losty); A bountiful Ark (pp. 161–176, by Ray Desmond); Amateur artists in western India: James Forbes and Robert Melville Grindlay (pp. 177–194, by Pauline Rohatgi).

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400. Rookmaaker, L. C.

2010. *Calendar of the scientific correspondence of Hugh Edwin Strickland in the University Museum of Zoology, Cambridge*. 1st ed. Cambridge, University of Cambridge.

Pbk. (21 x 29.5 cm), pp. 1–379, 11 photos (B&W.), charts, tables.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); Foreword (p. 5, by Prof. Michael Akam, December 2009); frontisp. (p. 6, signatures of Hugh Edwin Strickland); Conts. (p. 7); Portr. (p. 8, Hugh Edwin Strickland); Introd. (pp. 9–12, including abbrev., & acknowledgements); The Strickland archive (pp. 13–20, including editorial policy); A sketch of the life of Hugh Edwin Strickland (pp. 21–36); English correspondence (pp. 37–184); Foreign correspondence (pp. 185–223); The Dodo book (pp. 224–272); Zoological nomenclature (pp. 273–290); The Ray Society (pp. 291–314); The chart of bird affinities and additional material (pp. 315–330); Bibliography of publications by Hugh Edwin Strickland (pp. 331–342); Biographical index (pp. 343–375);

References (pp. 376–379).

'The documents left by H. E. Strickland now in UMZC are known as the 'Strickland Archive'. The history and extent of this collection is detailed in chapter 2. A short biography of Strickland is provided in chapter 3. This includes the history of the collections of fossils, shells, insects and particularly birds assembled by Strickland. The scientific correspondence in the Strickland Archive consisted of sets of volumes labelled as English Correspondence, Foreign Correspondence, Dodo Book, Zoological Nomenclature and Ray Society. All these documents are introduced, listed and summarized in chapters 4 to 8. Finally, chapter 9 gives information in more abbreviated form about other Strickland related manuscripts in the Museum collection. This volume includes a full bibliography of all Strickland's writings (chapter 10). All persons who corresponded with Strickland and subscribers to his Dodo Book of 1848 are identified in a biographical index (chapter 11). This index provides a cross-listing of documents associated with that person. Finally, there is a list of references used in the research of the present volume (chapter 12).' [p. 10.]

Of interest to South Asian ornithology is Strickland's correspondence with ornithologists from the Indian Subcontinent, namely, Edward Blyth (pp. 189–197), Thomas Caverhill Jerdon (215–217), W.J.E. Boys (pp. 49–50), Brian Houghton Hodgson (p. 215), and Thomas Horsfield (p. 111).

Review: Anthony Cheke. 2010. *Ibis* 152: 857–858.

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401. Saberwal, Vasant K. & Mahesh Rangarajan. Eds.

2009. *Battles over nature: science and the politics of conservation*. 2nd impression. Ecology and wildlife series. Delhi, Permanent Black.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–xi, 1–412. [Published originally in 2003, and in 2005 in a paperback edition.]

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); advt. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); Conts. (pp. v–vi); Acknowledgements (pp. vii–viii); Notes on contributors (pp. ix–xi); Introd. (pp. 1–28); Part I: Biological imperatives (pp. 31–135; 4 chapters by: M. D. Madhusudan & Charudutt Mishra; Renee Borges; Beth Middleton; Asad R. Rahmani); Part II: The nature of ecological science (pp. 139–185; 2 chapters by: Ramachandra Guha; Sharachchandra Lele & Richard B. Norgaard); Part III: Politics and conservation (pp. 189–263; 2 chapters by: Mahesh Rangarajan; Vasant K. Saberwal); Part IV: Community participation (pp. 267–412; 4 chapters by: Amita Baviskar; B. M. S. Rathore; Alan Rodgers, Dawn Hartley, & Sultana Bashir; K. Sivaramakrishnan).

Two chapters in Part I, deal with ornithology: Beth Middleton's, 'Ecology and objective based management: case study of the Keoladeo National Park, Bharatpur, Rajasthan,' (pp. 86–116), and Asad R. Rahman's, 'Conservation outside Protected Areas: case study of bustard protection,' (pp. 117–135).

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402. Sahay, Akhilesh K.

2007. *Green tops in Goa*. Mumbai, India, Published by the author.

Pbk. (11.5 x 17 cm, with illus., cover), 9 pr. ll., pp. 1–106, innum., photographs (col.), 2 maps.

Contents: Tit., imp., ded., foreword (by S. C. Jamir), message (by Wilfred A. de Souza), acknowledgment, special thanks to BNHS and my employers, conts., pref., introd., and map (pr. ll.); The paradise at Bondla (pp. 1–10); Adventure in a sanctuary (pp. 11–20); Scenic Cotigao (pp. 21–25); Magnificent Netravali (pp. 26–31); Mhadei—A treasure (pp. 32–36); Birding along Mandovi (pp. 37–41); A lake at Carambolim (pp. 42–46); Salim Ali Bird Sanctuary (pp. 47–50); A cape in Goa (pp. 51–56); Beyond sanctuaries and cape (pp. 57–61); Exquisite wild flowers in Goa (pp. 62–66); The gentle king (pp. 67–72); Milky waterfalls (pp. 73–77); In quest of birds in a spice farm (pp. 78–84); Chorla Ghat and Wilderrest (pp. 85–92); Ponda, the Green City (pp. 93–98); Tiger buzz in Goa (pp. 99–103); Photo credit (p. 104); maps (pp. 105–106).

This is a small, yet informative guide to the wildlife of Goa, India.

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403. Sahay, Akhilesh K.

2010. *Glimpses from India's natural work: A book for nature education*. Goa, India, Broadway Publishing House.

Pbk. (13 19 cm, with illus., cover), pp. I–XVIII, 1–182, innum., photographs (col., by various photographers), 11 portrs. (col.), 1 portr. (B&W).

Contents: Portr., and biographical account of author (front inside flap); tit. (p. I, illus.); imp. (p. II, illus.); thought (p. III, inscribed by the author); Thought (p. IV); ded. (p. V, illus.); Acknowledgement (pp. VI–VIII); Valuable inputs from (p. IX); BNHS and my employers (pp. X–XI); Foreword (pp. XII–XIII, by George B. Schaller); pref. (pp. XIV–XVII); conts. (p. XVIII); Phenomenal biodiversity (pp. 1–2); Diverse habitat and wide range (pp. 3–5); Tiger Tops (pp. 6–7); Birds (pp. 8–59); Butterflies (pp. 60–78); Mammals (pp. 79–127); Reptiles and amphibians (pp. 128–140); Wildlife sanctuaries and national parks (pp. 141–143); Top five wildlife destinations (pp. 144–147); Beyond Corbett and Kanha (pp. 148–152); Neglect and extensive damage (pp. 153–155); The need of the hour (pp. 156–159); Conservationists and crusaders (pp. 160–168); Key organizations (pp. 169–172); Recommended books (p. 173); Photo credits (pp. 174–175); Index (pp. 176–179); Notes (pp. 181–182, ruled blank pages).

The section on birds devotes a page each to 52 taxa, with one photograph, and notes on English and scientific names, size, range, and food.

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404. **Sahgal, Bittu. Ed.**

2008. *The Bandhavgarh inheritance*. Mumbai, India, Sanctuary Asia.

Hbk. (29.5 x 24 cm, with illus. cover, and dust cover), pp. 1–160, innum. photographs (col., various photographers).

Contents: Endpapers (front and back, illus.); frontisp., and tit. (p. 1); imp., and ded. (pp. 2–3, illus.); photo (pp. 4–5); photo (p. 6); Foreword: Bandhavgarh—a national inheritance (p. 7, by Karan Singh, November 1, 2007); photo (p. 8); pref. (p. 9, by author); conts. (p. 11); The Bandhavgarh inheritance: Fortress haven for Indian wildlife (pp. 12–19, by Bittu Sahgal); Benefits beyond boundaries: Quo vadis India? (pp. 20–27, by Bittu Sahgal); As time goes by: The origin and a brief history of Bandhavgarh (pp. 28–32, by Lakshmy Raman); The house of Rewa: A royal memoir (pp. 33–39, by Pushpraj Singh); The elephant man of Bandhavgarh: E. Abraham Kuttappan (pp. 40–51, by Bittu Sahgal); Green mansions: In praise of Bandhavgarh's plants (pp. 52–61, by Bittu Sahgal); Birding in tigerland: A splendid plumage (pp. 62–77, by Bikram Grewal); Creatures great and small: Celebrating Bandhavgarh's diversity (pp. 78–97, by Anish Andheria); Bandhavgarh memories: An aficionado remembers (pp. 98–107, by Hashim Tyabji); Bandhavgarh brushstrokes: An artist in tigerland (pp. 108–115, by Kay Hassall Tiwari); The tigers next door: Experiences of a wildlife filmmaker (pp. 116–121, by Ashish Chandola); The Bandhavgarh experience: Travels through paradise (pp. 122–131, by Bittu Sahgal); Protecting paradise: The Bandhavgarh story (pp. 132–141, by Asim Shrivastava); Securing the future: Protecting the Bandhavgarh inheritance (pp. 142–149, by Bittu Sahgal); A checklist of Bandhavgarh birds (pp. 150–151); A checklist of Bandhavgarh butterflies (p. 152); A checklist of Bandhavgarh mammals (p. 153); A checklist of Bandhavgarh reptiles/amphibians (p. 153); Photographers/writers (p. 154); Bibliography/References (p. 155); Glossary (p. 156); Acknowledgements (p. 157, by Bittu Sahgal); Index (pp. 158–160); Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve (map).

This is a sumptuous coffee-table work that celebrates Bandhavgarh. A checklist of Bandhavgarh birds (pp. 150–151) contains four line drawings.

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405. **Sahgal, Bittu & Anish Andheria. Eds.**

2008. *The Periyar inheritance*. Mumbai, India, Sanctuary Asia.

Hbk. (29.5 x 24 cm, with illus. cover, and dust cover), pp. 1–161, innum. photographs (col., various photographers).

Contents: Endpapers (front and back, illus.); frontisp., and tit. (p. 1); imp., and ded. (pp. 2–3, illus.); photo (pp. 4–5); photo (p. 6); Foreword: Periyar—a national heritage (p. 7, by Valmik Thapar); photo (p. 8); pref. (p. 9, by authors); conts. (p. 11); The Periyar inheritance: Western Ghats wonderland (pp. 12–19, by Bittu Sahgal); Benefits beyond boundaries: The gift of life (pp. 20–29, by Bittu Sahgal); Looking back in time: A Periyar history (pp. 30–43, by Lakshmy Raman); Green gables: In praise of plants (pp. 44–55, by Jomy Augustine); Seasons in the sun: An avian rhapsody (pp. 56–69, by Manoj V. Nair); Creatures great and small: Periyar's maintenance engineers (pp. 70–91, by Anish Andheria); A walk on the wild side: Trekking in Periyar (pp. 92–99, by A. J. T. Johnsingh); A naturalist in Periyar: An aficionado remembers (pp. 100–108, by Suresh Elamon); A day in Periyar: Long, long ago (pp. 109–113, by M. Krishnan); Protecting wildlife and people: The way forward (pp. 114–119, by Anil Bhardwaj); Tourism as conservation: The Periyar experiment (pp. 120–128, by Padma Mahanti); Periyar's changing paradigm: A researcher's point of view (pp. 129–131, by Sanjay Gubbi); Defending paradise: An inside story (pp. 132–142, by Padma Mahanti); Securing the future: Protecting the Periyar inheritance (pp. 143–147, by Bittu Sahgal); Voices: Memories of a lifetime (p. 148); A checklist of Periyar birds (pp. 149–151); A checklist of Periyar mammals (p. 151); A checklist of Periyar butterflies (pp. 152–153); A checklist of Periyar reptiles / amphibians (p. 153); Photographers / writers, and photocredits (p. 154); Glossary and Bibliography / References (p. 155); Glossary (p. 164); Acknowledgements (p. 156); Index (pp. 157–161).

This is a sumptuous coffee-table work that highlights and celebrates the value of Periyar. A checklist of Periyar birds (pp. 149–151) contains seven line drawings.

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406. **Sahgal, Bittu & Lakshmy Raman. Eds.**

2015. *The Tadoba inheritance*. Mumbai, India, Sanctuary Asia.

Hbk. (29.5 x 24 cm, with illus. cover, and dust cover), pp. 1–169, innum. photographs (col., various photographers).

Contents: Endpapers (front and back, illus.); frontisp., and tit. (p. 1); imp., and ded. (pp. 2–3, illus.); photo (pp. 4–5); inscribed by the first editor); photo (p. 6); Foreword (p. 7, by Devendra Gangadhar Fadnavis, December 5, 2014); photo (p. 8); pref. (p. 9, by editors); conts. (p. 11); The Tadoba inheritance: Forests that support life (pp. 12–21, by Bittu Sahgal); Back to the future: Land of the Gonds (pp. 22–31, by Lakshmy Raman); The great Tadoba turnaround: Then and now (pp. 32–35, by Valmik Thapar & Shree Bhagwan); Green mansions: The flora of Tadoba (pp. 36–45, by Ravikiran Govekar); Wings of destiny: Birding in tigerland (pp. 46–59, by Aditya Dhanwatay); Creatures great and small: The gardens of Tadoba's eden (pp. 60–77, by Anish Andheria); The tigers of Tadoba: A glimpse into the lives of the great cats (pp. 78–91, by Aditya Dhanwatay); The magic of Tadoba: Life and death in tiger country (pp. 92–97, by Purna Singh Bindra); A wild home in Tadoba: Coexistence that works (pp. 98–107, by Harshwardhan & Poonam Dhanwatay); The greater Tadoba landscape: Extending and consolidating protection (pp. 108–117, by Kishor Rithe); The Umred-Karhandla story: Cornerstone of the greater Tadoba landscape (pp. 118–127,

by Roheet Karoo); The outsiders: Securing wildlife and wildlands outside Tadoba (pp. 128–139, by Nikhil Tambekar & Parag Dhankar); Defending paradise: Giving Tadoba's tigers an extra lease on life (pp. 140–151, by Praveen Pardeshi); Securing the future: Making the Tadoba dream come true (pp. 152–157, by Bittu Sahgal); A checklist of Tadoba birds (pp. 158–159, by Adesh Shivkar, Atul Dhamankar & Aditya Dhanwatay); A checklist of Tadoba mammals (p. 160); A checklist of Tadoba reptiles / amphibians (p. 153, by Varad Giri); A checklist of Tadoba butterflies (p. 161, by Ashish D. Tiple); Photographers/writers (p. 162); Photocredits and Bibliography / References (p. 163); Glossary (p. 164); Editors' Acknowledgements (p. 165); Index (pp. 166–168); photo (p. 169).

This is a sumptuous coffee-table work that highlights and celebrates the value of Tadoba. A checklist of Tadoba birds (pp. 158–159) contains five line drawings.

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407. **Sahgal, Bittu, Sumit Sen & Bikram Grewal. Eds.**

2007. *The Sundarbans inheritance*. Mumbai, India, Sanctuary Asia.

Hbk. (29.5 x 24 cm, with illus. cover, and dust cover), pp. 1–160, innum. photographs (col., various photographers).

Contents: Endpapers (front and back, illus.); frontisp. and tit. (p. 1); imp. and ded. (pp. 2–3, illus.); photo (pp. 4–5); photo (p. 6); Foreword: Sundarbans: a national inheritance (p. 7, by Peter Jackson); photo (p. 8); pref. (p. 9, by editors); conts. (p. 11); The Sundarbans inheritance: Protecting a people's legacy (pp. 12–15, by Bittu Sahgal); Where tigers swim: A living forest (pp. 18–31, by Bittu Sahgal); The mists of time: The evolution and history of the swamps (pp. 32–43, by Sumit Sen); Myths and legends: A matter of faith (pp. 44–47, by Suchandra Kundu); In praise of mangroves: Nature's coastal armour (pp. 48–55, by Sumit Sen); Birding in tigerland: Seasons in the sun (pp. 56–71, by Bikram Grewal); Crocs of the tidal zone: In search of the world's largest reptile (pp. 72–81, by Romulus Whitaker); Creatures great and small: Sundarbans' lesser-known animals (pp. 82–95, by Lakshmy Raman); The Bangladesh Sundarbans: A haunting mangrove tigerland (pp. 96–103, by A. H. M. Ali Reza); Two countries, one forest: A Sundarbans view from both sides of the border (pp. 104–117, by Gertrud Neumann-Denzau); Sundarbans reminiscences: Down memory land (pp. 118–127, by Peter Jackson); The honey gatherers: Living in tiger territory (pp. 128–133, by Gertrud Neumann-Denzau); Protecting paradise: An inside story (pp. 134–141, by Pradeep Vyas); Securing the future: Protecting the Sundarbans inheritance (pp. 142–145, by Bittu Sahgal, Sumit Sen & Bikram Grewal); Voices from the past: Memories of a lifetime (p. 146); A checklist of Sundarbans birds (pp. 147–149); A checklist of Sundarbans fish (pp. 149–151); A checklist of Sundarbans mammals (p. 152); A checklist of Sundarbans reptiles/amphibians (pp. 152–153); A checklist of Sundarbans crustaceans (p. 153); A checklist of Sundarbans mangroves (p. 154); Photographers/writers (p. 155); Bibliography/References (pp. 156–157); Acknowledgements (p. 157, by Bittu Sahgal, Sumit Sen & Bikram Grewal); Glossary & Photo credits (p. 158); Index (pp. 159–160).

This coffee-table work 'is a photographic tribute to this wild haven and to the green warriors on both sides of the international border between India and Bangladesh, who live to protect raw nature,' (front flap of dust cover).

A checklist of Sundarbans birds (pp. 147–149) contains four line-drawings.

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408. **Sakthivel, Rengasamy, B. B. Dutta & A. K. Sanyal**

2011. *Catalogue of eggs (Aves) in the National Zoological Collection of the Zoological Survey of India (Part-1)*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 325. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF, Illus. cover, pp. i–xvi, 1–308.

Contents: Tit., imp. (pp. i–ii); Conts. (pp. iii–xvi); Introduction (pp. 1–2); Catalogue (pp. 3–218); Appendix 1 (pp. 219–308). 'The work deals with altogether 239 species and sub-species belonging to 155 genera under 62 families from India' (p. 217).

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409. **Sakthivel, Rengasamy, B. B. Dutta & Krishnamoorthy Venkataraman**

2011. *Catalogue of type specimens (Aves) in the National Zoological Collection of the Zoological Survey of India*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 330. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF, pp. i–xvi, 1–174.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (pp. iii–xvi); introd. (pp. 1–2); [Appendix-I] catalogue (pp. 2–87); Appendix-II: Measurements of type specimens (pp. 88–98); Appendix-III: Old names (scientific & common) of some Indian birds (pp. 99–137); Appendix-IV: Types of bird species as per the register in the National Zoological Collections (pp. 138–173); Summary (p. 174); Acknowledgements (p. 174); References (p. 174).

'The present work was done on the basis of the registered type specimens available in the National Zoological Collection present in the Headquarters, Zoological Survey of India, Kolkata. This work deals with altogether 170 species and sub-species belonging to 122 genera, under 41 families in the main text, and 43 species and sub-species belonging to 37 genera under 18 families in the Appendix from India and abroad.

'Most of the bird species in this catalogue are having type locality in India and rests are extra-limital in Origin (type locality). All extra-limital species excluding Pakistan, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka are kept in the Appendix. A few species having extra-limital in origin but distributed in India are also kept in the main text' (p. 174).

This important work catalogues what remains of the much larger collection of bird specimens that was transferred from the Asiatic Society of Bengal to the Zoological Section of the Indian Museum (The Zoological Survey of India). It passed through two floods and shifting of premises, suffering irreparable losses (p. 1).

In the main section, the following details are given for each species: Family, genus, scientific binomen, reference, present scientific name, common name, material available in the National Zoological Collections (in tabular format), and remarks. Tables has columns entitled: Z.S.I. Reg. No., Sex, Type Category, Nature of Collection, Locality, and Collector/Date of Collection.

In Appendix II, the measurements of type specimens are tabulated under the following column heads: Sl. No., Z.S.I. Reg. No., Hand Book Number, Wing, Tail, and Beak.

In Appendix IV, the types of bird species as per the register in the National Zoological Collections are tabulated under the following column heads: Sl. No., Reg. No., Scientific Name, Sex, Locality, Collector/Donor Name, Date of Collection, and Remarks.

Eight works are listed under references.

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410. Sanders, Sarah. Ed.

2006. *Important Bird Areas in the United Kingdom Overseas Territories: Priority sites for conservation*. Sandy, UK, RSPB.

Pp. 1–284, photographs (B&W), maps, tables

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410A. Sangha, Harkirat Singh.

2021. *Waders of the Indian Subcontinent*. Jaipur, India, Published by the author; with support from WWF-India.

Hbk. (17.5 x 23.5 cm, with gilt artwork on front board, and gilt lettering on spine; with illus., dust cover), pp. i–xvi, 1–520, pll. 1–22 (col., by Damodar Lal), 450+ photographs (col., various photographers), 91 maps (col.), 1 portr. (col.).

Contents: Half-tit, (p. i); ded. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii, with illus.); imp. (. iv, with illus.); conts. (pp. v–ix); quotations and photo (pp. x–xi); Acknowledgements (pp. xii–xiii, illus.); photo (p. xiv); pref. (p. xv, by Harkirat Singh Sangha, Jaipur, 14 November 2021); photo (p. xvi); About waders (pp. 1–5); Geographic range and species covered (p. 6); Studies on the waders of the Indian Subcontinent (pp. 7–12); Wader migration (pp. 13–20); Wader habitats (pp. 21–31); Threats to waders (pp. 32–36); Using this book (pp. 37–39); Colour plates 1–22 (pp. 41–84); Species accounts (pp. 85–496); References (pp. 497–516); Index (pp. 517–519); About the author (p. 520, with col., portr.).

This is a comprehensive, and monumental work on the waders of South Asia. It covers the following families and genera: Jacanidae (2 taxa: *Hydrophasianus*, *Metopidius*), Rostratulidae (1 taxon: *Rostratula*), Haematopodidae (1 taxon: *Haematopus*), Charadriidae (20 taxa: *Pluvialis*, *Charadrius*, *Vanellus*), Scolopacidae (42 taxa: *Scolopax*, *Gallinago*, *Lymnocyptes*, *Limosa*, *Numenius*, *Tringa*, *Xenus*, *Actitis*, *Arenaria*, *Limnodromus*, *Calidris*), Ibisidrhynchidae (1 taxon: *Ibidorhyncha*), Recurvirostridae (5 taxa: *Himantopus*, *Recurvirostra*, *Phalaropus*), Dromadidae (1 taxon: *Dromas*), Burhinidae (4 taxa: *Burhinus*, *Esacus*), and Glareolidae (7 taxa: *Rhinoptilus*, *Cursorius*, *Glareola*).

The introductory chapters contain substantial information about waders, and their habitats in the region, for the beginner and the seasoned wader watcher.

Damodar Lal's col., pll., are a delight, and the use of historical monuments as backdrops is unique. Plls., do not necessarily follow taxonomic sequence. Plls., are on *recto*, with captions on facing *verso*.

The strength of the work, punching far above the 'fact book' tag on its blurb, lies in the detailed species accounts. These contain the following information: Species name/scientific name, local name(s), alternative/old names, taxonomy, range and distribution, identification, racial/geographical variation, moult, vocalization, general habits, food/foraging, breeding, habitat, movements, status and conservation, and miscellaneous notes. Every taxon account includes a distribution map, and several photographs. The references (pp. 497–516) list 850 works.

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411. Sankaran, Ravi. (1963–2009)

1995. *Impact assessment of nest collection on the Edible-Nest Swiftlets in the Nicobar Islands*. SACON Occasional Report 1. Coimbatore, India, Sálím Ali Centre for Ornithology and Natural History.

PDF, pp. i–iii, 1–25.

Contents: Cover, and imp., with short biography of R. Sankaran, and conts. (pr. II.); Acknowledgements (p. i); Foreword (p. ii, by V. S. Vijayan); Abstract (p. iii); introd. (pp. 1–4); Objectives (p. 4); Methods (pp. 5–7); The Nicobar group of islands (pp. 7–8); Results & discussion (pp. 8–16); Conservation perspectives (pp. 16–21); Conclusions (pp. 22–23); Literature cited (pp. 22–23); Appendix (pp. 24–25).

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412. Sankaran, Ravi.

1995. *The Nicobar Megapode and other endemic avifauna of the Nicobar Islands: Status and conservation*. SACON Technical Report 2. Coimbatore, India, Director: Sálím Ali Centre for Ornithology & Natural History.

PDF, pp. 2 pr. II., i–iv, 1–44, 9 photograph (B&W), line drawings, text figures, 6 maps.

Contents: Tit., About the author and imp., conts. (pr. II.); Acknowledgements (p. i); About the study (p. ii); Foreword (p. iii, by

V. S. Vijayan); Abstract (p. iv); The Andaman & Nicobar Islands (pp. 1–4); The status and conservation of the Nicobar Megapode (pp. 5–16); The status of the endemic avifauna of the Nicobar Islands (pp. 17–24); Conserving the Nicobar Islands (pp. 27–33); Literature cited (pp. 34–35); **Appendices:** Appendix 1. Distribution and encounter rate of active mounds in the Great Nicobar group of islands (p. 36); Appendix 2. Distribution and encounter rate of active mounds in the Nancowry group of islands (p. 37); Appendix 3. The birds of the Nicobars—a review of literature and sightings of this survey (pp. 38–41); Appendix 4. A rough estimate of habitat loss in the Nicobar group of islands (p. 42); Appendix 5. Changes in human population in the Nicobar Islands between 1981 and 1991 (p. 43). About SACON (p. 44).

This is an important report on the endemic birds of the Nicobar group of islands in the Bay of Bengal (43+ taxa are listed on pp. 20–24), with emphasis on the endangered Nicobar Megapode. Appendix 3 lists 152 taxa of birds (pp. 38–41).

Sixty-three works are listed under Literature cited.

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413. **Sankaran, Ravi.**
1995. *Restoration and Management of Grasslands for People and the Lesser Florican*. Coimbatore, India, Sálim Ali Centre for Ornithology and Natural History.
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414. **Sankaran, Ravi.**
1998. *The impact of nest collection on the Edible-nest Swiftlet Collocalia fuciphaga in the Andaman & Nicobar Islands*. Coimbatore, Director: Sálim Ali Centre for Ornithology & Natural History.
PDF, pp. 2 pr. ll., i–iv, 1–41, 7 photographs (B&W), 6 maps.
Contents: Tit. (p. i); About the author and imp., conts. (pr. ll.); Acknowledgments (p. i); pref. (p. ii); Foreword (p. iii, by V. S. Vijayan); Abstract (p. iv); introd. (pp. 1–6); The distribution and status of the Edible-nest Swiftlet in the Andaman & Nicobar Islands (pp. 7–20); Nest collection and trade (pp. 21–26); Conservation (pp. 27–29); References (pp. 30–31); Appendix 1. Nest count of the Edible-nest Swiftlet in the Andaman Islands (pp. 32–37); Nest count of the Edible-nest Swiftlet in the Nicobar Islands (pp. 38–39); Information sheet: House ranching of the Edible-nest Swiftlet (p. 40–41); About SACON (p. 42).
This is an important report on the status of the Edible-nest Swiftlet in the Andaman & Nicobar Islands, and the feasibility of artificially breeding it for its successful conservation.
Forty-six works are listed under references.
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415. **Sankaran, Ravi.**
2000. *The status of the Lesser Florican Sypheotides indica in 1999*. Coimbatore, India, Sálim Ali Centre for Ornithology & Natural History, Bombay Natural History Society.
PDF, pp. i–iv, 1–18, 1 map
Contents: Tit. (p. i); about the author and imp. (p. ii); Participants of the survey (p. iii); introd. (pp. 1–3); Objective and methods (p. 4); Results & discussion (pp. 5–9); References (p. 9); Appendix 1. The Lesser Florican—a summary of status surveys (pp. 10–16); Appendix 2. Population estimate of the Lesser Florican (pp. 17–18).
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416. **Sankaran, Ravi & Asad R. Rahmani.**
1986. *Study of ecology of certain endangered species of wildlife and their habitats. The Lesser Florican*. Annual Report No. 2 1985–86. Bombay, Bombay Natural History Society.
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417. **Sanyal, A. K., J. R. B. Alfred, Krishnamoorthy Venkataraman, Sandeep K. Tiwari & Sangita Mitra.**
2012. *Status of biodiversity of West Bengal*. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.
PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–viii, 1–969+35, pll. 1–35 (col., 217 photographs), 6 maps.
Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); pref. (p. iii, by authors, September, 2011); conts. (pp. v–vii); **Part I:** introd. (pp. 1–4); Profile of West Bengal (pp. 5–14); Ecosystems of West Bengal (pp. 15–27); Species diversity in West Bengal (pp. 28–65); Species of special significance (pp. 66–102); Protected areas in West Bengal (pp. 103–110); Loss of biodiversity and causes (pp. 111–118); Current conservation initiatives in West Bengal (pp. 119–153); **Part II:** List of floral species in West Bengal (pp. 155–469); **Part III:** List of faunal species in West Bengal (pp. 470–969); 35 pll.
The section on Aves (903–955) lists 846 taxa. A systematic account provides details of scientific name, common name (English, and Bengali), and distribution for 600 taxa. A separate table includes 246 taxa from Chakraborty & Mukherjee (2004); these were not added to the main list, 'as there was no mention of distribution of the species in West Bengal' (p. 946).
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418. **Sanyal, A. K., S. K. Chattopadhyay, T. K. Pal & A. K. Karmakar**
2014. *Faunal resources and assessment of the impact of mining activities on fauna of Chhotonagpur coalfield areas*

Jharkhand, India. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 361. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF, pp. i–iv, 1–47, 3 maps.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); introd. (p. 1); Material and methods (pp. 1–2); List of localities surveyed (pp. 2–5); Physiography of the study areas (pp. 5–6); Floral resources (pp. 5–6); Faunal resources of the area (pp. 6–45); Results and discussion (pp. 45–47); Acknowledgements (p. 47); References (p. 47).

Under Aves (pp. 9–18), 156 taxa are listed, though it is claimed that 158 species 'have been observed (p. 46). Four works are listed under references.

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419. Sashikumar, C., Praveen J., Muhamed Jafer Palot & P. O. Nameer.

2011. *Birds of Kerala: status and distribution*. 1st ed. Kottayam, Kerala, DC Books.

Hbk. (14.0 x 21.0 cm, with illus. dust cover), pp. 1 l., [1–5], 6–835+3, 7 portrs. (various sources), 572 photos (col., by 50 photographers), 6 maps (by M. Pradeep Kumar), 2 text-figs, 17 tables.

Contents: Imprint (pr. l.); tit. [p. 1]; ded. [p. 2]; Conts. [pp. 3–5]; List of Families/Subfamilies in the main list (pp. 6–8); Foreword (pp. 9–10, by Asad R. Rahmani); Pref. (pp. 11–12, by authors); Acknowledgements (pp. 13–15); A history of ornithology in Kerala (pp. 16–29); The changing landscape of Kerala (pp. 30–53, by S. Sathis Chandran Nair); Climate of Kerala (p. 54); An overview of the bird communities of Kerala (pp. 55–79); Conservation (pp. 80–87); Maps [sic] of northern Kerala (p. 80); Maps [sic] of southern Kerala (p. 81); Site descriptions (pp. 90–108); Species accounts: methodology and notes (pp. 109–119); Species accounts: the main list (pp. 120–708); Map (p. 709); Species accounts: the secondary list (pp. 710–741); Appendix 1: Checklist of the birds of protected areas and reserve forests of Kerala (pp. 742–759); Appendix 2: Survey locations of Salim Ali's Travancore–Cochin survey (pp. 760–767); Appendix 3: Glossary (pp. 768–771); Appendix 4: Useful contacts (p. 772); Bibliography (pp. 773–814); Index of scientific names (pp. 815–819); Index of English names (pp. 820–825); Additional information (pp. 826–835).

This work covers 491 spp. (pp. 11–12), in two lists. The first, Main List, contains 453 spp., which were recorded in Kerala at least once since 1 January 1975, and the second, Secondary List, 49 spp., contains historical records that do not meet the authors' criteria for inclusion in the Main List. The methodology followed in compiling this work, and the criteria evolved by the authors (pp. 109–119) are rigorous, and result in an accurate document of lasting value.

Species accounts contain English, Malayalam, and scientific names, the serial number from Ripley's *Synopsis* (1982), a photograph of the species, and information under the sub-headings: habitat, status, distribution, breeding, threats and conservation, historical records, and notes.

Three tables try to resolve identification pitfalls of the following difficult groups: pipits (p. 528), *Acrocephalus* and *Hippolais* warblers (pp. 618–619), and leaf warblers (pp. 628–629).

Reviews: Ranjit Manakadan. 2011. *JBNHS* 108 (1): 51–52; Aasheesh Pittie. 2012. *Indian BIRDS* 7 (5): 150–151; Kryszewski. 2012. *BirdingAsia* 18: 13.

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420. Sashikumar, C. & R. Roshnath.

2017. *An atlas of the birds of Kannur*. Thrissur, Kerala, India, Kerala Forest and Wildlife Department (Social Forestry Kannur), Malabar Natural History Society, Malabar Awareness & Rescue Centre for Wildlife, Sir Syed College, Bird Count India.

Pbk. (with illus., cover), pp. 1–152, 4 portrs. (col., including one group photo), 511 maps (col.)

Contents: Map (col., inside front cover); tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); Foreword (p. 3, by Anil Kumar Bhardwaj); Message (pp. 4–5, by Mir Muhammed Ali); text in Malayalam (p. 6); Acknowledgements (pp. 7–9); introd. (p. 10) Kerala Bird Atlas Project (pp. 10–13); How to read the visualisations (p. 14); Birds of Kannur district—an analysis of the Kannur Bird Atlas Survey (pp. 15–17); Bird Atlas Survey—Results and discussion (pp. 18–22); References (p. 23); Species accounts (pp. 25–152); Kannur Bird Atlas team (inside back cover, group photograph).

This atlas, the result of citizen science, lists 255 taxa of birds from Kannur District, Kerala (India). Each taxon is given half a page, and the following details are provided: English name, scientific name, Malayalam name, colour photograph, line graphs show trends of presence in percentage of lists across the district where the taxon is present in dry and wet seasons, and a seasonality graph that is sectorised week wise, indicating the percentage of lists where a taxon is present in all eBird complete lists from Kannur district since 2010 uploaded for that particular week of a year. Eight works are listed under References.

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421. Sashikumar, C., Vishnudas C. K., Raju S., Vinayan P. A. & Rajashree V. V.

2013. *A catalogue of the birds in the collection of Trivandrum Museum*. Kerala, The Forests and Wildlife Department & Depart of Zoo and Museums, Government of Kerala.

PDF, Pp. 1–206, 1 group portr. (col.), 3 photos (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. 1); Quote (p. 2); Conts. (p. 3); Pref. (pp. 4–5, by C. Sashikumar); Acknowledgements (p. 6); Introduction: Importance of bird collections; Bird collections in India; Bird collections in Kerala; Museum and zoo gardens, Trivandrum; Bird collection in Trivandrum Museum - historical records; References (pp. 7–18; 32 references listed); Bird specimens in the

collection of Trivandrum Museum - an overview (p. 19); Methodology (pp. 19–20); Birds in the collection of Trivandrum Museum: Specimens with complete information; Specimens with no details; Specimens with partial information; Specimens - general summary; Endemic and globally threatened species; Major collectors: details; Period of collection (pp. 20–24); Recommendations (p. 25); The catalogue: Notes on the text (p. 26); A catalogue of the birds in the collection of Trivandrum Museum - Part I (pp. 27–116); A catalogue of the birds in the collection of Trivandrum Museum - Part II (pp. 117–206).

'In all, 2225 specimens belonging to 434 species are present in the collection,' (p. 20).

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422. Sashikumar, C., C. K. Vishnudas, S. Raju, S. Kannan & P. A. Vinayan.

2011. *Along the trail of Sálim Ali: A study of avifauna, their habitat and ecological history. Travancore-Cochin Ornithological Survey 2009.* Kerala, India, Kerala Forest Department.

Hbk. (21 x 27.5 cm, with illus., cover; issued without dust cover), pp. 1–350, innum. photographs, text-figs., 5 portrs. (authors).

Contents: Tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); Conts. (pp. 3–4); message (p. 5, by K. B. Ganesh Kumar); pref. (pp. 7–8, by T. M. Manoharan); Acknowledgements (pp. 9–10); sub-tit. (pp. 11–12, illus.); introd. (pp. 13–27); Methodology (pp. 29–30); Data analysis using DISTANCE (pp. 31–34); Travancore–Cochin Ornithological Survey 2009 (pp. 35–39); Results and discussion (pp. 41–45); Bird diversity in different habitats (pp. 47); Status of birds: Abundance (pp. 49–54); Endemic birds (pp. 55–60); Globally threatened species (pp. 61–62); Birds of prey (pp. 63–71); Wetland birds (pp. 73–76); Site accounts (pp. 77–178); Species accounts (pp. 179–246); Conservation: recommendations (pp. 247–250); Epilogue (p. 251); Bibliography (pp. 253–255); Graphs (pp. 257–267); Appendix 1: List of birds present in 1993 only and 2009 only at each sites (sic) with feeding guilds (pp. 269–322); Appendix 2: Site checklists (pp. 323–341); Appendix 3: Details of dams constructed at the survey sites since 1933 (pp. 343–346); photographs (pp. 347–349, col.); Team profile (p. 350).

This landmark publication reports the results of a follow-up of Dr Sálim Ali's 1933 survey of the erstwhile Princely State of Travancore and Cochin, wherein that survey was duplicated in 2009, covering 19 locations in the states of Kerala, and Tamil Nadu, and logging 77,547 individual birds belonging to 337 taxa.

Species accounts contain the following information: English name, scientific binomen, distribution, altitude range, habitat, feeding guild, status, and records in 1933. The References list 41 works.

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423. Sashikumar, C., Vishnudas C. K., Raju S., Vinayan P. A. & V. A. Shebin.

2015. *Malabar ornithological survey 2010–2011.* Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, India, Kerala Forests & Wildlife Department.

Hbk. (14 x 20.5 cm, with illus., cover, issued without dust cover), pp. 1–348, 71 photographs (col.), 4 photographs (B&W), 7 portrs. (col.), 11 maps (col.), 2 fold-out maps (col.), innum., text-figs.

Contents: Tit., & imp. (p. 1); imp. (p. 3); conts. (pp. 5–7); Message (p. 9, by Thiruvanchoor Radhakrishnan, dt. 25/03/2015); pref. (p. 11, by Bransdon S. Corrie); Acknowledgements (pp. 13–14); photos (pp. 15–16); Malabar Ornithological Survey 2010–2011—Summary (pp. 17–22); Shola forest (pp. 23–24, 3 col., photos); Malabar Ornithological Survey 2010–2011 (pp. 25–40); Results and discussion (pp. 41–44, col., photos); Results and discussion (pp. 45–73); Birds of prey (pp. 75–100); Heronries of Malabar (pp. 101–114); Wetlands and waterfowl (pp. 115–125); Kannur coast (pp. 126–129); Forests of Malabar (pp. 131–188); Details of the bird species (pp. 189–264); Recommendations for bird conservation (pp. 265–268); References (pp. 269–270); Appendix 1: Checklist of the birds of Malabar with feeding guild and migratory status (pp. 274–297); Appendix 2: Birdlist of the wetlands (pp. 298–309); Appendix 3: Heronries (pp. 310–313); photographs (pp. 315–316); Base stations and transects (pp. 317–326); Maps (pp. 327–339); colour photographs (pp. 340–343); about the authors (pp. 344–345); colour photographs (pp. 346–348); fold out map of the study area-base stations and locations (col., pasted on free rear end paper); fold out map of wetlands (col., pasted on paste-down rear end paper).

This landmark report, of the year-long (1 November 2010–31 October 2011) Malabar Ornithological Survey deals with 341 taxa. It records 102 breeding instances of 58 taxa. It lists 102 heronries, and counts 8,677 nests of 12 taxa. It surveys 24 wetlands. The introductory pages deal with the 'History of ornithology in Malabar' (pp. 25–29), giving brief biographical sketches of pertinent ornithologists and their work. The chapter on 'Details of the bird species' (pp. 189–264) gives the following details for each taxon: English name, scientific binomen, distribution, altitude range, habitat, feeding guild, status, total count and/or density. Lists eighteen works under References.

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424. Sathan, Chinna & Bal Pandi.

2009. *Diary on the nesting behaviour of Indian birds.* 1st ed. Coimbatore, India, Sugeeth Publisher.

Pbk. (19 x 24 cm, will illus. cover), 3 pr. ll., pp. 1–223+7, 1 portr. (col., of Bal Pandi), 300 photos (col.), 50 line-drawings

Contents: Tit., imp., message, photo, foreword (by Ashish Kothari dat. 6 April 2009) (pr. ll.); Introd. (pp. 1–3, by Chinna Sathan); Habitation (pp. 4–8); Mysterious behaviours [sic] of birds (pp. 9–15); Breeding biology (pp. 16–22); Nesting behaviours [sic] of birds (pp. 23–197); Birds of prey (pp. 198–201); Predators of nests (pp. 202–205); A family dedicated to birds (pp. 206–207); Hearty thanks to friends (acknowledgements) (pp. 208–210); List of birds and their nests described (p. 211); Index of sketches (pp. 212–213); Index of photographs (pp. 214–222); Reference [sic] (pp. 223).

This work deals with the nesting habits of 51 spp., and suffers from anthropomorphism.

Review: V. Santharam. 2009. *Indian Birds* 5 (2): 57–57.

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425. **Sathiyaselvam, P. & K. Mrutyumjaya Rao.**

2014. *Waterbirds of EGREE: Bilingual bird guide*. Kakinada, India, EGREE Foundation, An initiative of GoI-UNDP-GEF-GoAP (EGREE) Project.

Pbk. (13.5 x 21, with illus. cover), 9 pr. ll., pp. i–xxxv, 1–227, 15 portrs. (col.), map

Contents: Tit., imp., conts., Message by A. V. Joseph, Foreword by S. S. Sreedhar, Afterword by K. Thulsi Rao, Acknowledgements (pr. ll.); introd. (pp. i–xiv); Coringa Wildlife Sanctuary - the potential Ramsar Site (pp. xv–xx); map (p. xxi); Glossary (pp. xxii–xxvi); Geographical regions Indian Subcontinent [sic] (p. xxvii); Topography of a bird (pp. xxxiii–xxxv); species accounts (pp. 1–222; pagination from verso); Past records of waterbirds in EGREE region (p. 223); References (pp. 224–225); portrs. (p. 226); About authors (p. 227).

This bilingual field-guide, in English and Telugu, covers 111 taxa of waterbirds found in the East Godavari Riverine Estuarine Ecosystem (EGREE) of East Godavari District of Andhra Pradesh.

Each taxon is given a page for photographs, and text in the two languages, covering: size, field characters, status and distribution, habitat, food, migrating from, WPA status, IUCN status, and status in EGREE region.

Twenty-three works are listed under references.

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426. **Sati, Jagdish P. & Vinod Khanna. Eds.**

2003. *Some selected fauna of Asola-Bhatti Wildlife Sanctuary*. Fauna of Conservation Areas, 16. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF, pp. i–vi, 1–70, 9 photographs (col.), maps (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); pref. (p. iii, authors); Acknowledgements (p. iv); conts. (p. v); Asola-Bhatti Wildlife Sanctuary: An overview (pp. 1–18, by Vinod Khanna & J. P. Sati); Chilopoda (pp. 19–22, by Vinod Khanna); Odonata (pp. 23–26, by Arun Kumar); Hymenoptera (pp. 27–30, by S. K. Gupta); Lepidoptera (pp. 31–38, by Parmod Kumar & S. K. Gupta); Pisces (pp. 39–41, by Akhlaq Hussain); Amphibia (pp. 43–45, by Akhlaq Hussain); Reptilia (pp. 47–50, by Akhlaq Hussain); Aves (pp. 51–60, by Prakash Chand Tak & J. P. Sati); Mammalia (pp. 61–70, by J. P. Sati & N. K. Sinha).

The chapter on birds records 82 spp., giving details, in tabular format, of status in Delhi, abundance in AB-WLS, and localities within Asola-Bhatti WLS. Six works are cited under References.

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426A. **Sathyakumar, Sambandam. ED.**

2016. *Bibliography on the fauna and micro flora of the Indian Himalayan region*. ENVIS Bulletin. Wildlife & Protected Areas. Vol. 18. Dehradun, India, Wildlife Institute of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. 1–275, numerous photos (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); advt. (p. 3); conts. (pp. 4–5); Director's note (p. 7, by V. S. Mathur, dated 19 September, 2016); Foreword (p. 9, by M. K. Ranjitsinh, dated 16 September, 2016); Introduction to the bibliography on the fauna and microflora of the Indian Himalayan region (pp. 10–15, by Sunita Agarwal, Shashi Uniyal, Ummed Singh Chauhan & Sambandam Sathyakumar); Bibliography on the mammals of the Indian Himalayan region (pp. 16–51, by Ranjana Pal, Shashank Arya, Shagun Thakur, Bhavya Iyer, Krishnendu Mondal, Tapajit Bhattacharya & Sambandam Sathyakumar); Bibliography on the birds of the Indian Himalayan region (pp. 52–115, by Sohini Choudhury, Bhavya Iyer, Kamalika Bhattacharya, Tapajit Bhattacharya, Krishnamurthy Ramesh, Pratap Singh & Sambandam Sathyakumar); Bibliography on the herpetofauna of the Indian Himalayan region (pp. 116–141, by Naitik G. Patel & Abhijit Das); Bibliography on the fishes of the Indian Himalayan region (pp. 142–185, by Aashna Sharma, Vineet Kumar Dubey, Jeyaraj Antony Johnson & Kuppaswamy Sivakumar); Bibliography on the butterflies and Odonates of the Indian Himalayan region (pp. 186–211, by Manish Bhardwaj, Shuvendu Das, Pooja Kala & Virendra Prasad Uniyal); Bibliography on the soil Nematodes of the Indian Himalayan region (pp. 212–227, by Priyanka Kashyap, Anjum Nasreen Rizvi, Manish Bhardwaj & Virendra Prasad Uniyal); Bibliography on the microflora of the Indian Himalayan region (lichens, fungi and bacteria) (pp. 228–275, by Pamela Bhattacharya, Sonam Priyadarshani, Devendra Kumar, Ishwari Datt Rai, Gautam Talukdar, Gopal Singh Rawat & Dalip Singh Upreti).

The bibliography on birds lists 1,567 references.

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426B. **Sathyakumar, Sambandam & Kuppasamy Sivakumar. Eds.**

2007. *Galliformes of India*. ENVIS Bulletin: Wildlife & Protected Areas. Vol. 10 No. 1. Dehradun, India, Wildlife Institute of India.

Pbk. (20 x 29.5 cm, with illus., cover), pp., i–[xviii], 1–250, 1 CD-ROM (inside back cover), innum., illus. (col.), tables, text-figs., and maps.

Contents: Advt. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); conts. (pp. v–viii); Director's note (p. ix, by P. R. Sinha); Foreword (p. x, by Keith Howman); Foreword (pp. xi–xiii, by Samar Singh); The Galliformes of India: An introduction (pp. xiv–xvi, by Sambandam Sathyakumar & Kuppasamy Sivakumar). **Section I: Species accounts:** Megapode (pp. 1–2, by Kuppasamy Sivakumar);

Partridges, quails, francolins and snowcocks (pp. 3–31, by Sambandam Sathyakumar & Rajiv S. Kalsi); Pheasants (pp. 33–51, by Sambandam Sathyakumar & Rahul Kaul). **Section II: Galliformes of national and global significance:** An assessment of the current status of the Indian Peafowl (*Pavo cristatus*) in India based on questionnaire surveys (pp. 53–60, by B. C. Choudhury, Sambandam Sathyakumar & Christi Sylvia); Conservation of Red Junglefowl (*Gallus gallus*) in India—towards mapping abundance and genetic diversity (pp. 61–68, by Merwyn Fernandes, Mukesh, Sambandam Sathyakumar, Rahul Kaul, Rajiv S. Kalsi & Deepak Sharma); The Himalayan Quail—extinct or evasive? (pp. 79–82, by Rajiv S. Kalsi, Rahul Kaul & Sambandam Sathyakumar). **Section III: Distribution in the biogeographic zones and protected area network:** Biogeographical analysis of Galliformes distribution in India and pheasants in the Himalayan protected areas (pp. 83–94, by Rajah Jayapal, Kuppusamy Sivakumar, Sambandam Sathyakumar & V. B. Mathur); Conservation of Galliformes in the Indian Himalaya (pp. 95–100, by Rahul Kaul); Status, distribution and management of Galliformes in arid and semi-arid zones of India (pp. 101–104, by Rajiv S. Kalsi); Review of research on pheasants in southern India (pp. 105–108, by M. C. Sathyanarayana). **Section IV: State reports:** Status, distribution and management of Galliformes in Andaman and Nicobar Islands (pp. 109–114, by Kuppusamy Sivakumar, Ravi Sankaran & Alok Saxena); Status, distribution and management of Galliformes in Jammu & Kashmir (pp. 115–116, by Rahul Kaul & A. K. Srivastava); Status, distribution and management of Galliformes in Himachal Pradesh (pp. 117–119, by Sanjeeva Pandey & Vinay Tandon); Status, distribution and management of Galliformes in Uttarakhand (pp. 121–124, by Samir Sinha & S. Chandola); Status, distribution and management of Galliformes in West Bengal (pp. 125–126, by Kushal Mukherjee); Status, distribution and management of Galliformes in Sikkim (pp. 127–130, by Usha Lachungpa & N. T. Status, distribution and management of Galliformes in Arunachal Pradesh (pp. 131–135, by Pratap Singh & K. D. Singh); Bhutia); Status, distribution and management of Galliformes in Assam, Meghalaya and Tripura (pp. 137–142, by Anwaruddin Choudhury, Anil Kumar Goswami & Kulojyoti Lahkar); Status, distribution and management of Galliformes in Manipur, Nagaland & Mizoram (pp. 143–147, by Dipankar Ghose, Peter Lobo, Salam Rajesh & Anwaruddin Choudhury). **Section V: Management of Galliformes:** Impact of tsunami on Galliformes and their habitats in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands (pp. 149–153, by Kuppusamy Sivakumar & Ravi Sankaran); Impact of anthropogenic pressures on abundance and distribution of Galliformes at Bedini-Ali, Nanda Devi Biosphere Reserve, Uttarakhand (pp. 155–162, by Tapajit Bhattacharya, Sambandam Sathyakumar & G. S. Rawat); Galliformes hunting in India: The bigger picture (pp. 163–168, by Hilaluddin & Rahul Kaul); Translating global biodiversity values into local benefits: Conservation initiatives of a village forest council in Kumaon, Uttarakhand (pp. 169–173, by Malika Virdi); Impact of the Indian Peafowl (*Pavo cristatus*) on agricultural ecosystems (pp. 175–176, by M. C. Sathyanarayana). **Section VI: Research and monitoring techniques:** Techniques for monitoring Galliformes in India (pp. 177–182, by Sambandam Sathyakumar, Rahul Kaul & Rajiv S. Kalsi); Protocol for monitoring megapode and its habitat (pp. 183–188, by); Techniques for live capture and radio-telemetry of Galliformes (pp. 189–195, by K. Ramesh & Rajiv S. Kalsi); Identification of Galliformes using the microstructure of feathers: Preliminary findings (pp. 197–202, by Kuppusamy Sivakumar, S. P. Goyal & S. K. Mukherjee). **Section VII: Conserving Galliformes of India:** Views of international community: Pheasant conservation in India (1980–2008) (p. 203, by Peter J. Garson); Partridges, quails and francolins in India: Conservation in a center of biodiversity (p. 205, by John P. Carroll); Priorities for future research and monitoring (pp. 207–209, by Paul McGowan); Conserving the Galliformes of India: Ex situ conservation breeding and reintroduction (pp. 211–213, by John Corder). **Section VIII: Selected bibliography on Galliformes in India:** Selected bibliography on Galliformes of India (pp. 215–250, by S. Agarwal, S. Uniyal & M. M. Uniyal); CD-ROM (in plastic envelope pasted on inside back cover).

This is a major work on the Galliformes of India. The bibliography lists 728 works.

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426C. **Sattin, Anthony. Ed.**

1986. *An Englishwoman in India: The memoirs of Harriet Tytler 1828–1858*. Oxford, UK, Oxford University Press.

Hbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus., dust cover), pp. i–xxvi, 1–229, 22 B&W photos between pp. 70–71, 134–135, and 166–167, 2 maps.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); conts. (p. v); illus. (pp. vii–viii); introd. (pp. ix–xvii, Philip Mason, January 1985); Editor's note (pp. xviii–xxiii, Anthony Sattin, March 1985); map (pp. xxiv–xxv); sub-tit. (p. xxvii); The memoirs (pp. 1–173); Afterword (pp. 175–183, Anthony Sattin); Appendix: Captain Tytler's statement (pp. 185–197); Notes (pp. 198–220); Glossary (p. 221); Index (pp. 223–229).

Though these memoirs are an account of the author's years in India during the 1857 War of Independence, it is pertinent to South Asian Ornithology because she was married to Col. Robert C. Tytler (1818–1872)—a naturalist, photographer, and ornithologist—and through her memoirs we learn about a part of his life too. He is honoured in the eponymous *Phylloscopus tytleri* W. E. Brooks, 1872.

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427. **Saxena, V. S.**

1975. *A study of flora & fauna of Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary*. Jaipur, India, Department of Tourism, Rajasthan.

Pbk. (16 x 24 cm, with illus., cover), pp. i–viii, 1–108, 1 map (fold-out, back inside cover), 7 photographs (B&W).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); copyright (p. ii); Foreword (p. iii, by Juihar Singh, dated 1st Dec., 1975); conts. (p. v); Acknowledgements (p. vii); Sanctuary & its management (pp. 1–16); Record of ducks shot in royal shoots in Keola Deo Ghana, Bharatpur—Appendix I (pp. 17–23); List of common plants growing in Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary—Appendix II (pp. 24–35); List of numbered trees in

sanctuary area—Appendix III (pp. 36–37); Main breeding season of mammals of Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary—Appendix IV (pp. 38–39); Index of English names with local equivalents of birds found in the sanctuary—Appendix VA (pp. 40–53); Detailed check list of birds—Appendix VB (pp. 54–84); List of breeding birds of Bharatpur—Appendix VI (pp. 85–89); List of migratory birds in Bharatpur—Appendix VII (pp. 90–94); List of birds ringed from Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary—Appendix VIII (pp. 95–105); List of tourist bureaux and bungalows—Appendix IX (p. 106); Wild life sanctuaries Rajasthan & their location—Appendix X (pp. 107–108); Map of Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary (fold., inside back cover).

A great deal of information is packed into this slim volume that comprises tables and lists. The main checklist of birds (pp. 54–84) lists 322 taxa; the table providing the following details: Latin name, English name, Ref. in book, status, occurrence, main season, preferred locality, and remarks. The author states (p. 4) that this checklist updates the first 'Field checklist' of the sanctuary (Saxena 1969; Pittie 2010: 640–641).

Thirty-two works are listed under References (pp. 14–16).

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428. **Sebastian, Mathew K., P. R. Arun, T. Arthi, M. Murugesan & P. A. Azeez.**

2012. *Wetlands of Srikakulam district: An ecological status survey*. Final Technical Report No. 105. Coimbatore, India, Salim Ali Centre for Ornithology and Natural History.

PDF (with illus. cover), pp. i–ix, 1–234, pll. 1–10 (col., 58 photographs), tables 1–17, figures 1–43.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); conts. (pp. ii–iv); List of tables (p. iv); List of figures (pp. iv–vi); Appendices (pp. vi–vii); Glossary, symbols and abbreviations (p. vii); Acknowledgements (pp. viii–ix); Executive summary (pp. 1–9); introd. (pp. 10–35); Observations (pp. 36–47); Major wetlands (pp. 48–116); Discussion (pp. 117–132); Conclusions and recommendations (pp. 133–136); Bibliography (pp. 137–142); Appendix 1: Ramsar classification of wetlands (pp. 143–144); Appendix 2: Plants recorded from the study area (pp. 145–171); Appendix 3: Birds recorded (pp. 172–180); Appendix 4: Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2010 (pp. 181–188); Appendix 5: CMFRI identified fish landing centres in Srikakulam (pp. 189–190); Appendix 6: Marine fishers' [sic] habitations in Srikakulam district (pp. 191–193); Appendix 7: Fish drying platforms in Srikakulam district (pp. 194–195); Appendix 8: Shore sheds in Srikakulam district (p. 195); Appendix 9: Minor irrigation tanks (ayacut>100 Acres) of Srikakulam Irrigation division (p. 196); Appendix 10: Tank details, Srikakulam (pp. 197–198); Appendix 11: Consolidated list of plants recorded in the visited wetlands and its environs [sic] (pp. 199–215); Appendix 12: Consolidated list of birds recorded during the present study in the wetlands of Srikakulam district and its environs (pp. 216–222); Appendix 13: Summary datasheet format (p. 223); plates (pp. 224–233).

This is an important report on the status of wetlands in Srikakulam District, Andhra Pradesh State, India. It records 236 taxa of birds, in Appendix 3 (pp. 172–180). It also provides a list of 58 wetlands in Appendix 10 (pp. 197–198). The flora of these wetlands is also enumerated.

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429. **Sekhsaria, Pankaj.**

2017. *Islands in flux: The Andaman and Nicobar story*. India, Harper Collins Publishers.

Pbk. (13 x 20 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–xxx, 1–268+3, 26 photographs (col., between pp. 130 and 131), 1 map.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); Praise for the book (p. ii); tit. (p. iii, inscribed by author); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); map (p. vi); conts. (pp. vii–ix); List of tables, boxes and maps (pp. xi–xii); Foreword (pp. xiii–xiv, by Bittu Sahgal); Pref., and acknowledgements (pp. xv–xxi); Introduction: Contested imaginations (pp. xxii–xxvii, by Harsh Mander); The Andaman and Nicobar Islands: A profile (pp. xxix–xxx); Setting the context (pp. 1–19); In the Supreme Court (pp. 21–42); Indigenous peoples (pp. 43–94); Environment, ecology and development (pp. 95–128); December 2004 and its aftermath (pp. 129–155); Academic papers (pp. 157–201); Appendices (pp. 203–256); Index (pp. 257–268); advt. (3 ll.).

This is a collection of articles and papers from the author's protracted involvement with the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, covering key issues of its social demography and environment. Pertinent are the following two: Extinction by protection (pp. 118–122); and Tribal reserves, IBAs and bird conservation: The unique case of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands (pp. 185–201).

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430. **Sengupta, Pradyot Kumar.**

2020. *Birds around Santiniketan: Extracted from Visva Bharati News (1955–1958)*. 1st ed., 2nd printing. Bolpur, West Bengal, India, Birutjatio Sahitya Sammiloni.

Hbk. (14 x 21 cm, with illus. cover and dust cover), 3 pp., i–xxxvii, 1 l., 1–86, photos (b&w), 1 portr. (b&w, back cover; Sri Pradyot Kumar Sen Gupta, 1898–1979).

Contents: Tit., imp. (first impression: September 2019), Conts. (3 pp.); Map of Santiniketan and its surroundings (pp. i–ii); Acknowledgements (pp. iii–iv); Pref. (pp. v–vii); An introduction to Birds Around Santiniketan (pp. ix–xiv, by Kushal Mookherjee); A brief life-sketch of Sri Pradyot Kumar Sen Gupta [sic] highlighting his hobbies and interests (pp. xv–xxviii); Santiniketan in the 1950s (pp. xxix–xxxvii); Birds around Santiniketan (pp. 1–71); The glossary of current, scientific and local names of birds (pp. 72–85); References (p. 86).

This is a small booklet that compiles the series of papers P. K. Sengupta wrote for the *Visva-Bharati News* between 1955 and 1958.

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431. Sharma, Bulbul.

2014. *Grey Hornbills at dusk: Nature rambles through Delhi*. Delhi, Aleph Book Company.

Pbk. (13 x 20 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–xviii, 1–171, 1 portr. (col., inside back flap, author), line drawings (author).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); advt. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); conts. (p. vii); introd. (pp. ix–xviii); Winter (pp. 1–32); Spring (pp. 33–78); Summer (pp. 79–118); Monsoon (pp. 119–164); Sources (p. 165); Appendix: List of books and plants that appear in the book (pp. 167–171).

A lyrical account of the birds of Delhi.

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432. Sharma, Gopal. Ed.

2011. *Faunal diversity of Chauras of North Bihar (Zooplankton, Molluscs, Pisces and Aves)*. Wetland Ecosystem Series, 14. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–113, pll. I–VII (col., 27 photographs), 1 map.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); Overview (pp. 1–6, by Gopal Sharma); Zooplankton diversity (pp. 7–19, by Gopal Sharma, Puja Sinha & Preeti Sinha); Molluscan diversity (pp. 21–47, by Gopal Sharma, A. Dey & Mohitra Sardana); Fish diversity (pp. 49–92, by Gopal Sharma, G. B. Chand, Deepal Jaiswal & Indu Sharma); Avian diversity (pp. 93–113, by Gopal Sharma, Arvind Mishra & Ajeet Kumar Singh).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 93–113) presents data from surveys during different seasons of 2005–2007, and lists 72 taxa in various tables. Thirty-four works are listed under References.

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433. Sharma, R. M. Ed.

2014. *Fauna of Chandoli National Park, Maharashtra*. Conservation Area Series, 51. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–237, pll. I–IV (24 col., photographs), 1 map.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); Chandoli National Park: An overview (pp. 1–8, by R. M. Sharma & K. A. Subramanian); Mammalia (pp. 9–18, by S. S. Talmale); Aves (pp. 19–34, by K. A. Subramanian, Anil Mahabal & S. S. Jadhav); Amphibia (pp. 35–38, by Satish S. Kamble); Freshwater Fishes (pp. 39–45, by S. S. Jadhav & M. J. Jadhav); Freshwater molluscs (Gastropoda and Bivalvia) (pp. 47–50, by S. K. Patil & Sachin R. Patil); Crustacea: Cladocera (pp. 51–57, by P. D. Rane); Freshwater crabs (Crustacea: Decapoda: Brachyura: Gecarcinucidae) (pp. 59–64, by S. K. Pati & R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Blattodea (pp. 65–67, by Yogesh Koli, Amol Mamlay & Ganesh Bhawane); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 69–90, by Sunil Gaikwad & Ganesh Bhawane); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 91–99, by K. A. Subramanian & Priyanka Dutta Saha); Insecta: Coleoptera (pp. 101–115, by Ganesh Bhawane, Amol Mamlayya, Yogesh Koli & Santosh Aland); Aquatic and semiaquatic Hemiptera (Insecta) (pp. 117–120, by Srimoyee Basu & K. A. Subramanian); Butterflies (Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera and Grypocera) (pp. 121–136, by R. M. Sharma & K. A. Subramanian); Appendix–Insecta: Mantodea (p. 137).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 19–34) lists 164 taxa in an annotated table, with information on residential status, and food habits. It lists seven works under References.

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434. Sharma, R. M. & K. A. Subramanian. Eds.

2014. *Fauna of Radhanagri Wildlife Sanctuary, Maharashtra*. Conservation Area Series, 52. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–127, 1 map (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); Radhanagri Wildlife Sanctuary: An overview (pp. 1–4, by R. M. Sharma & K. A. Subramanian); Mammalia (pp. 5–16, by S. S. Talmale); Aves (pp. 17–31, by Anil Mahabal, K. A. Subramanian & S. S. Jadhav); Amphibia (pp. 33–37, by Satish S. Kamble); Freshwater fishes (pp. 39–51, by S. S. Jadhav & M. J. Jadhav); Collembola (Hexapoda) (pp. 53–60, by G. P. Mandal & K. K. Suman); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 61–72, by K. A. Subramanian & Priyanka Dutta Saha); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 73–81, by Yogesh Koli, P. S. Bhatnagar, Amol Mamlayya, Sunil Gaikwad & Ganesh Bhawane); Insecta: Aquatic and semiaquatic Hemiptera (pp. 83–85, by Srimoyee Basu & K. A. Subramanian); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera and Grypocera (pp. 87–108, by R. M. Sharma & K. A. Subramanian); Crustacea (pp. 109–113, by P. D. Rane); Freshwater crabs (Crustacea: Decapoda: Brachyura: Gecarcinucidae) (pp. 115–120, by S. K. Pati & R. M. Sharma); Freshwater and land molluscs (Gastropoda and Bivalvia) (pp. 121–127, by S. K. Pati & Sachin R. Patil).

On the front cover, the title is 'Fauna of Radhanagri Wildlife Sanctuary | Maharashtra', on the title page, 'Fauna of Radhanagri Wildlife Sanctuary', in the recommended citation (p. ii) it is, 'Fauna of Radhanagri Wildlife Sanctuary, Maharashtra', and on the contents page (p. iii), it is 'Fauna of Radha Nagari Wildlife Sanctuary, Maharashtra'. Also, on p. ii, the second author under 'Project Co-ordinators' should be K.A. Subramanian, not 'K.A. Subramaniam'.

The chapter on Aves (pp. 17–31) lists 225 taxa in a table with details on residential status, and food habits. The list is compiled from field visits during 27 February–4 March 2009 and 2–6 January 2010, augmented by records in published literature. It lists eleven works under References.

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435. Sharma, Sunayan.

2020. *Keoladeo National Park, Bharatpur: Birds in Paradise*. New Delhi, India, Niyogi Books.

Hbk. (17 x 21 cm, with illus. cover, and dust cover), pp. 1–284, innum., photographs (col., by Navin Sharma), 2 portrs. (col., dust cover back flap; authors), maps.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); ded. (p. 5); map (p. 6); conts. (p. 7); Message (pp. 9–10, by Ravi Singh); Foreword (pp. 11–12, by Asad Rahmani); pref. (pp. 13–20); **Part I**: Nature's playground (pp. 21–22); Overview (pp. 23–37); Dynamic wetlands (pp. 39–48); Bewitching heronries (pp. 49–63); Resident ducks, rails and jacanas (pp. 65–74); Where do the birds come from? (pp. 75–80); Migratory water birds (pp. 81–93); Majestic cranes (pp. 95–99); The star attraction (pp. 101–111); Birds of prey (pp. 113–124); Terrestrial and arboreal birds (pp. 125–142); Non-avian fauna (pp. 143–169); The Park and its people (pp. 171–176); Challenging nature (pp. 177–186); **Part II**: Debacle in Keoladeo (pp. 187–188); Where has all the water gone? (pp. 189–192); Habitat devastation (pp. 193–196); **Part III**: Rebuilding Keoladeo (pp. 197–198); Managing a growing menace (pp. 199–207); Creating new water resources (pp. 209–222); Debatable issues (pp. 223–230); Going down the Park's memory lane (pp. 231–235); Acknowledgements (pp. 236–238); **Appendices**: Flora of Keoladeo National Park (pp. 239–250); Birds of Keoladeo National Park (pp. 251–266); Mammals of Keoladeo National Park (pp. 267–268); Ichthyofauna (Fishes) of Keoladeo National Park (p. 269); Reptiles of Keoladeo National park (p. 270); Butterflies of Keoladeo National Park (pp. 271–275); Dragonflies of Keoladeo National Park (pp. 276–278); Turtles of Keoladeo National Park (p. 279); Bibliography (p. 280); Index (pp. 281–284).

This work is a comprehensive introduction to Keoladeo National Park (Bharatpur District, Rajasthan, India)—a World Heritage Site.

The Appendix: Birds of Keoladeo National Park (pp. 251–266) tabulates 374 taxa, giving their months of occurrence and breeding details.

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436. Sheppard, Charles R. C. & M. R. D. Seaward. Eds.

1999. *Ecology of the Chagos Archipelago*. Linnean Society Occasional Publications 2. London, UK, Westbury Publishing.

Hbk. (illus., cover), pp. 1–356.

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437. Sherub, Karma.

2017. *Foraging behavior, food resources, and habitat use of Rufous-necked Hornbill (Aceros nipalensis) in Jigme Singye Wangchuck National Park, Bhutan*. London, The Rufford Foundation.

PDF, pp. i–iv, 1–71, 61 photographs (col.), 6 maps (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. ii); conts. (pp. iii–iv); Acknowledgments (p. 1); Abstract (p. 2); introd. (pp. 3–6); Review of literature (pp. 7–13); Study area (pp. 14–18); Materials and methods (pp. 19–25); Results (pp. 26–50); Discussion (pp. 51–54); Conclusions and recommendations (pp. 55–71).

This is a monograph on the biology of the Rufous-necked Hornbill *Aceros nipalensis* in the Jigme Singye Wangchuk National Park, Bhutan.

'Rufous-necked hornbill (RNH; *Aceros nipalensis* [Hodgson, 1829]) is one of four hornbill species found in Bhutan and is listed as "vulnerable" under IUCN Red List. Jigme Singye Wangchuck National Park (JSWNP) of Bhutan is one of the important habitats for this highly restricted-range species. Eight sites under three districts inside JSWNP were covered to study the distribution, relative abundance, habitat characteristics, food resources, foraging behavior, flock size, nesting behavior, and conservation threats of RNH from June (2016) to April (2017). RNH was recorded between 644m–1608m elevation range and Lauraceae was the most dominant plant family in surveyed sites. The estimated RNH density was 1.22 birds/km² (\pm 0.12) and the flock size ranged from 1–8 individuals. They were recorded feeding on 35 different species of fruits and also on a few invertebrates. Fruits of Moraceae and Lauraceae were the important tree families that were being consumed. For feeding, RNH choose to feed by plucking fruits within the height range of 4 to 28 m on the fruiting trees. Most of the feeding was carried out from small branches (58.5%). The breeding season of RNH in the sampling sites commenced between 14th - 26th of April (2016 & 2017), and fledging between 25th - 28th of July (2016). Shifting cultivation, grazing, logging, and high power transmission lines were observed as the major threats to the species in the study areas' (p. 2).

The Bibliography (pp. 67–71) lists fifty-one works.

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438. Shirihi, Hadoram, Gabriel Gargallo & Andreas J. Helbig.

2001. *Sylvia Warblers. Identification, taxonomy and phylogeny of the genus Sylvia*. 1st ed. Princeton; London, Princeton University Press; Christopher Helm.

Hbk. (16.5 x 24 cm, with gilt reverse embossed title on spine, and illus., dust cover), pp. 1–576, pll. 1–20 (col., by Alan Harris), innum., line drawings, photographic pll. 1–97 (col., 546 photographs by David Cottridge), innum., distribution maps (col., by C. S. Roselaar), sonograms.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3, illust.); ded., and imp. (p. 4); conts. (p. 5); List of colour plates (p. 6); List of photographic plates (p. 6); Authors' pref. (p. 7; July 1999); Artist's pref. (p. 7; July 1999); Photographer's pref. (p. 8, May 2000);

Acknowledgements (pp. 9–10); introd. (pp. 11–23); The characteristics of the genus (pp. 24–43); Species accounts (pp. 45–554); References (pp. 555–568); Appendix: Body mass of *Sylvia* species (pp. 569–574); Index (pp. 575–576).

This definitive monograph is 'the most complete manual available on the large family of insectivorous passerines, the Old World warblers *Sylviidae*, native to Israel and other Mediterranean countries. The authors include detailed information on the phylogeny, distribution, ecology, appearance, and behavior of *Sylvia* warblers. They draw on tremendous experience and expertise to sort out the complex plumage variations of these notoriously stealthy birds, noting coloration changes by distribution, age, and sex. Attention is also given to the wide variation in song among *Sylvia*. The volume contains an incredible amount of original data, compiled from field studies and meticulous museum research. Importantly, the authors use a novel approach to systematics, resulting in the proposal of four new species splits ... All this, combined with DNA information on systematic relationships makes this book unique among modern identification guides' (publisher's blurb on inside flaps of dust cover).

The introd., includes the following sub-sections: Background to the research work (pp. 11–12); A user's guide (pp. 13–18); and Layout of the book (pp. 19–23).

The section on characteristics of the genus includes the following sub-sections: Phylogeny and biogeography of the genus *Sylvia* (pp. 24–30); General biology and ecology of the genus *Sylvia* (pp. 31–43).

Species accounts include the following information, as relevant to the taxa: English and scientific names; complete scientific binomen; introduction (general, and systematics); plate; field identification; voice; identification in the hand; allospecies and subspecies taxonomy moult, age and sex; general biology and ecology; general biology and ecology of Central Asian allospecies; population size and trends; appendix; and a section of photographs.

Review: Karl Evans. 2001. *Ibis* 143: 696–697.

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439. Sidhu, Avtar Kaur. Ed.

2018. *Faunal diversity of Chail Wildlife Sanctuary (District Solan, Himachal Pradesh)*. Conservation Area Series, 63. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–151.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); An overview (pp. 1–7, by Avtar Kaur Sidhu & Indu Sharma); Annelida: Oligochaeta (pp. 9–13, by R. Paliwal); Collembola (Hexapoda) (pp. 15–18, by G. P. Mandal); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 19–30, by Kamal Saini); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 31–44, by R. Babu & K. A. Subramanian); Insecta: Hemiptera: Heteroptera (pp. 45–48, by B. Biswas, M. E. Hassan & Paramita Mukherjee); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Papilionoidea (pp. 49–72, by Avtar Kaur Sidhu); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Heterocera (pp. 73–92, by Avtar Kaur Sidhu, Simranjeet Kaur & Deepika Mehra); Insecta: Diptera (pp. 93–100, by Jayita Sengupta, Anu Naskar & Dhriti Banerjee); Pisces (pp. 101–108, by Indu Sharma); Amphibia (pp. 109–112, by Indu Sharma); Reptilia (pp. 113–115, by Uttam Saikia); Aves (pp. 117–143, by Anil Kumar); Mammalia (pp. 145–151, by Indu Sharma).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 117–143) lists 139 taxa in a systematic account that provides the following details: Order, Family, scientific name, common name, distribution in India, distribution elsewhere, conservation status, and remarks. It lists thirteen works under References.

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440. Singal, Ramit.

2013. *A birder's handbook to Manipal*. Manipal, India, Manipal University Press.

Pbk. (16.0 x 23.5 cm, with illus. cover), 7 pr. ll, i–vii, 1–218, 1 CD-ROM, 1 map, 412 photos (col., various photographers);

Contents: Map (inside front cover); half-tit, tit., imp., ded., foreword, pref., acknowledgements, conts., (7 pr. ll; Foreword by Bikram Grewal; Pref., & acknowledgements by Ramit Singal); Why watch birds in Manipal? (p. i); Methodology (pp. ii–iii); Habitats in Manipal (pp. iv–v); Birding in Manipal - latest trends (p. vi); Birding requirements and ethical codes (p. vii); Species accounts (pp. 1–204); References (p. 205); Glossary (p. 206); Threatened species in Manipal (p. 207); Endemic Indian birds in Manipal (p. 208); Expected, yet unrecorded species in Manipal (pp. 209–210); Further reading (p. 211); Index (pp. 212–218); CD-ROM (inside back cover).

One page is devoted per species, containing two photographs, a grid with 50 squares that corresponds with the template map on the inside front cover, depicting status, area of sighting, breeding. Includes a shaded table of months to show time of occurrence.

The CD-ROM contains 81 audio recordings on 68 spp.

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441. Singal, Ramit.

2016. *A birder's handbook to Manipal*. 2nd ed. Manipal, India, Manipal University Press.

Pbk. (16.0 x 23.5 cm, with illus. cover), i–xviii, 1–242, 1 map, 412 photos (col., various photographers); waterproof quick-ID guide (insert), photograph (back inside cover), 1 portr. (col., author, back cover).

Contents: Map (inside front cover); Tit. (p. i, illus.); imp. (p. ii); ded. (p. iii, inscribed here by the author on 08 March 2018), Author's note; (p. v); Acknowledgements (p. vii); conts. (p. ix); Why watch birds in Manipal? (p. xi); Methodology (p. xii); Habitats in Manipal (pp. xiii–xv); Birders in Manipal (p. xvi); Birding requirements and ethical codes (p. xvii); Species Parts of a bird (xviii); Full accounts (pp. 1–190); Short accounts (pp. 191–225); Glossary (p. 226); Expected species (pp. 227–228); Birds of the

laterite grasslands (pp. 229–232); Photographers (p. 233); References (p. 234); Online databases (p. 235); Further reading (p. 236); Index (pp. 237–242); Waterproof quick-ID guide (inside back cover).

This 2nd ed., covers 254 spp. In the section of full accounts (188 taxa), one page is devoted per species, containing two photographs, status, habitat, habits, identification, best seen at, calls, and similar species. Also includes a grid with 50 squares that corresponds with the template map on the inside front cover, depicting status, area of sighting, breeding; and a shaded table of months to show times of occurrence.

The section on short accounts (66 taxa) has two taxa to a page, and includes details such as name, a photograph, and notes under identification, last seen, notes, and grid squares.

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442. Singal, Ramit.

2019. *A birder's handbook to Manipal*. 3rd ed. Manipal, India, Manipal University Press.

Pbk. (16.0 x 23.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–xxiv, 1–256, 1 map, 580+ photos (col., various photographers), Waterproof quick-ID guide (inside back cover).

Contents: Map (inside front cover); Tit. (p. i, illus.); imp. (p. ii); ded. (p. iii); Foreword (pp. v–vi); Manipal's Birders' Club (p. vii); Acknowledgements (p. viii); conts. (p. ix); Why watch birds in Manipal? (p. xi); Habitats and birding locations (pp. xiii–xiv); Using this book (pp. xv–xvii); Parts of a bird (p. xix); Starting out (pp. xx–xxii); Birding requirements and ethical code (pp. xxiii–xxiv); Full accounts (pp. 1–202); Short accounts (pp. 203–234); Species' trends (pp. 235–244); Note on nearby locations (p. 245); Data for this book (pp. 246–247); Photographers (p. 248); References (p. 249); Online databases (p. 250); Further reading (p. 251); Index (pp. 252–256); photograph (col., back inside cover); Waterproof quick-ID guide (inside back cover).

This 3rd ed., covers 260 spp., and is the first work from South Asia to use Quick Reference Codes (QR code) for bird sounds, which are easily read by the scanner on smart mobile phones. Once accessed, one can hear the calls of the respective bird. QR codes are not provided for all the taxa included.

In the section of full accounts (200 taxa), one page is devoted per species, containing two photographs, and notes on habitat, habits, identification, twitching tips, calls, and similar species; it also includes a smaller template of the map on the inside front cover, depicting hotspot locations, and colour-coded frequency of occurrence. Also included is a seasonality graph to show when a species is most likely to occur in a region.

The section on short accounts (60 taxa) has two taxa to a page, and includes details such as name, a photograph, a QR code (for some taxa), and notes under identification, last seen, notes, and alternate name.

The quarterly population trends of 44 taxa, whether increasing, stable, or decreasing, are provided for a period of four years, from the first quarter of 2015, to the third of 2018 (pp. 235–244).

The waterproof quick-ID guide insert includes 121 taxa separated by size, displaying a photograph, and bulleted information on habitat, and identification, and cross-referenced to respective pages in the text.

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443. Singh, Diljeet.

2015. *Birds recorded during a study in Himachal Pradesh*. New Delhi, India, Renu Publishers.

Hbk. (15.5 x 23.5 cm, with illus., cover; issued without dust cover), pp. i–viii, 1–184, 341 photographs (col.), 1 portr. (col., back cover; author), 2 maps (col.).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); pref. (p. v); conts. (pp. vii–viii); introd. (pp. 1–12); Families (pp. 13–130); Checklists (pp. 131–148); Systematic list of birds of Himachal Pradesh (pp. 149–175); References (pp. 177–181); A glimpse of habitats and vegetation in Himachal Pradesh (pp. 183–184; 16 col. photographs).

This is a work on the birdlife of Himachal Pradesh, India. It covers 308 taxa, and is the result of a study carried out from June 2007 to May 2012 in various locations covering all districts of the state.

Under the chapter Families (pp. 13–130), the author lists taxa and the areas (and dates) where they were spotted. Brief notes are provided on calls, or habits. The checklist (pp. 149–175) is tabulated so that columns give information on relative abundance, altitudinal range, status, and IUCN Red List status as of 2012.

Eighty-one works are listed under references.

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444. Singh, Rajendra.

2013. *Plumage across the Pir Panjal. The Poonch and Rajouri districts (a photographic guide)*. New Delhi, Published by the author.

Hbk. (15 x 21.5 cm, with illus. cover); pp. [1–8], 9–295, [296–297]; 747+ photographs (col., various photographers); 2 line drawings, 2 portrs. (col.), 3 maps.

Contents: Ded. (inside front flyleaf); tit. (illus.) (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); Conts. (p. 3); Pref. (pp. 4–5, by Rajendra Singh, dated 'May 2013'); Foreword (p. 6, by Lt Gen. KT Parnaik); Message (p. 7, by Lt Gen. DS Hooda); Message (p. 8, by Asad R. Rahmani), The area: historical aspects (p. 9); Area covered (p. 10); Parts of a bird (p. 11); Species of birds (pp. 12–293); Bibliography (p. 294); Acknowledgements (p. 295); Index (pp. 296–297).

This is a photographic record of 310 taxa, found in the Poonch and Rajouri districts of Jammu and Kashmir, India. The

bibliography comprises twenty-two entries.

Rose-ringed Parakeet should be *Psittacula krameri* (p. 90).

Review: Atul Sathe. 2013. Hornbill 2013 (October–December): 22.

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445. **Sinha, Neha.**

2021. *Wild and wilful*. India, HarperCollins Publishers India.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus., cover), pp. i–viii, 1–232, 11 photographs (B&W, various photographers), 1 portr. (inside flap of back cover; B&W, author).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); conts. (pp. vii–viii); introd. (pp. 1–8); Earth (pp. 9–142); Sky (pp. 143–180); Water (pp. 181–210); Heart (pp. 211–218); Index (pp. 219–228); Acknowledgements (pp. 229–230); List of photographs (pp. 231–232).

This book of essays is ‘about the wild that walks alongside us through the pages of our neat, daily lives’ (back cover blurb). It is divided into four sections, containing the following essays.

Earth: The leopard and the cockroach: The Indian Leopard (*Panthera pardus fusca*) (pp. 11–31); The monkey joint family: The Rhesus Macaque (*Macaca mulatta*) (pp. 32–49); The phoenix of the desert: The Great Indian Bustard (*Ardeotis nigriceps*) (pp. 50–68); Don’t kiss a cobra: The Spectacled Cobra (*Naja naja*) and the King Cobra (*Ophiophagus hannah*) (pp. 69–85); The obituary that will not be writted: The Asian Elephant (*Elephas maximus*) (pp. 86–112); The mother of men and tigers: The Tiger (*Panthera tigris tigris*) (pp. 113–142). **Sky:** The tiger of the garden: Tiger Butterflies (Danaini tribe) (pp. 145–164); Letters in the sky: The Amur Falcon (*Falco amurensis*) (pp. 165–180). **Water:** Dolphins of the mind: The Ganges River Dolphin (*Platanista gangetica gangetica*) (pp. 183–198); The stone-faced neighbour: Mugger Crocodile (*Magarmach, Crycodylus palustris*) (pp. 199–210). **Heart:** Love in the times of COVID-19: Rosy Starlings (*Pastor roseus*) (pp. 213–218).

Review: T. R. Shankar Raman. 2021. Biblio: A review of books 26 (4–6): 18.

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446. **Sinha, Raghoo, Raghuram Ananthasayana & Ruchi Sinha.**

2011. *Birds at ISB [Hyderabad campus]*. 1st ed. Hyderabad, Indian School of Business, Hyderabad.

Hbk. (17x17 cm, with illus. dust cover; col.), 1 l., pp. 1–285, 173 photographs (col., by authors; several double-page), 5 photographs (monochrome, by authors), line-drawings and vignettes (monochr., several, unknown artist), 1 map, 3 portr. (col., authors).

Contents: Half-tit., imp. [1 l.]; tit. [p. 1]; Conts. [pp. 2–3]; About our birds [pp. 4–7]; About the book [pp. 8–9]; The campus [pp. 10–11]; Work at ISB [pp. 12–77]; Celebrate at ISB [pp. 78–93]; Live at ISB [pp. 94–117]; Relax at ISB [pp. 118–215]; Around ISB [pp. 216–269]; Acknowledgements [pp. 270–271]; About the authors [pp. 272–273]; Photo credits [pp. 274–275]; Bibliography [pp. 276–277]; Serendipity at ISB! [p. 278]; Birds sighted at ISB between 2007–2011 but not photographed, by Linn Van Dyne and Raghoo Sinha [p. 279]; [Notes] [pp. 280–285].

This is a small-sized photo-guide to the birds of the 270-acre campus of the Indian School of Business, based at Hyderabad, India. It covers 97 spp., of which 27 are not illustrated with photographs, nor written about.

The bird labeled ‘Indian Cuckoo *Cuculus micropterus*’ (pp. 38–39), is a Grey-bellied Cuckoo *Cacomantis passerinus*. As a consequence, its size on p. 39 should be 23 cm. The ‘Intermediate Egret *Mesophoyx intermedia*’ (pp. 160–161) is actually a Great Egret *Egretta alba*.

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447. **Sinha, Y. P. Ed.**

2004. *Fauna of Bihar (including Jharkhand)*. State Fauna Series, 11. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Hbk. (20 x 28 cm, with illus. cover), pp. [i–iv], 1–213, 5 pll. (col., with 32 photographs), several maps, and tables.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Conts. (p. iii); The state of Bihar: An overview (pp. 1–13, by Y. P. Sinha); Mammals (pp. 15–72, by Y. P. Sinha); Aves (pp. 73–142, by B. B. Dutta, S. Basu Roy, B. K. Datta & J. M. Dasgupta); Reptilia (pp. 143–179, by G. Dasgupta & S. Raha); Amphibia (pp. 181–193, by A. K. Sarkar, S. Das & S. Ray); Aquatic insects (pp. 195–213, by S. C. Nahar).

The checklist of birds comprises 456 spp; and lists nine references. A systematic list is presented in a table (pp. 75–98), wherein 341 taxa are listed, and the remaining 124 taxa ‘are incorporated in the “Ornithological account” (pp. 105–141) and are enclosed in the (sic) square bracket []’. However, the authors have failed to enclose taxa within square brackets in the said section!

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448. **Sivaperuman, Chandrakasan.**

2014. *Faunal resources in the Ritchie’s Archipelago, Andaman and Nicobar Islands*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 360. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF, pp. i–iv, 1–76+16, pll. 1–11 (col., 66 photographs), 2 maps (col.)

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); Ritchie’s Archipelago: An overview (pp. 1–7); Odonata (Dragonflies & Damselflies) (pp. 8–19); Lepidoptera (Butterflies) (pp. 20–35); Lepidoptera (Moths) (pp. 36–43); Amphibians and reptiles (pp. 44–50); Avifauna (pp. 51–68); Mammals (pp. 69–76); Summary and conclusion (pp. 77–78); Further research needs (p. 79);

Acknowledgements (p. 79); Plates with 66 col., photographs (15 pp.).

The chapter on avifauna (pp. 51–68) states that the 'study was conducted from 2008 through 2011 and it was mainly based on direct observational methods ... 136 species of birds ... were recorded in Ritchie's Archipelago' (p. 52).

The chapter presents tables entitled: Species of birds recorded from Ritchie's Archipelago (Table 6.1; 136 taxa); List of migratory species recorded in the study area (Table 6.2; 24 taxa); List of waders recorded in the study area (Table 6.3; 22 taxa); Order wise classification and feeding guild composition of bird species recorded from the Ritchie's Archipelago (Table 6.4; 15 Orders); Comparative occurrence of bird species in the Ritchie's Archipelago (Table 6.5), which provides a comparison with the taxa occurring in the World, Asia, India, and the A&N Islands; Comparison of bird species with different country/region in Southeast Asia (Table 6.6); and Comparison of bird species with different archipelago (Table 6.7; eight archipelagos).

Pl., 9–11 contain eighteen photographs of birds. Twenty-nine works are listed under references.

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449. **Sivaperuman, Chandrakasan, G. Gokulakrishnan, J. Dinesh & P. T. Rajan.**

2016. *Birds of Andaman and Nicobar Islands*. Kolkata, India, Director, Zoological Survey of India.

Hbk. (29.5 x 21 cm, with illus., cover, and dust cover), pp. 5 pr. ll., 1–110, innum., photographs (col., by various photographers).

Contents: Tit. (illus.), imp. (illus.), message (A. K. Singh, with portr.), foreword (Kailash Chandra, portr.), acknowledgments, conts. (pr. ll.); Birds of Andaman and Nicobar Islands (p. 1); Egrets, heron and bitterns (pp. 2–17); Ibis (p. 18); Ducks and teals (pp. 19–25); Raptors (diurnal) (pp. 26–37); Raptors (nocturnal) (pp. 38–41); Megapode (p. 42); Pheasants (pp. 43–45); Rallids (pp. 46–53); Shorebirds (pp. 54–63); Pigeons (pp. 64–72); Parakeets (pp. 73–77); Cuckoos (p. 78); Kingfishers (pp. 79–83); Bee-eaters (pp. 84–86); Woodpecker (pp. 87–88); Passeriformes (pp. 89–106); Suggested bibliography (p. 107); Index (pp. 108–109); photograph (p. 110).

In this coffee-table book, the authors have 'described about 130 bird species and subspecies representing all major group [sic] from this archipelago' (p. 2). Each taxon is illustrated with a photograph/s and briefly described. Ten works are listed in the bibliography.

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450. **SolB.**

2020. *State of India's birds, 2020: Range, trends and conservation status*. India, The SolB Partnership.

Pbk. (28 x 21 cm, with illus., cover), pp. 1 l., 1–50, innum., photographs (col., by various photographers), text-figures, maps.

Contents: Partnership organisations (inside front cover); tit, frontisp. (pr. l.); conts. (p. 1); Highlights (pp. 2–3); Understanding India's birds (pp. 4–7); Species of high concern (pp. 8–11); Key species for states (pp. 12–15); Species groups (pp. 16–29); Citizen science (pp. 30–35); Threats and conservation measures (pp. 36–37); Conclusions and priorities (pp. 38–39); Methods (pp. 40–47); Selected references (p. 48); Acknowledgements (pp. 49–50).

'The State of India's Birds report is the first comprehensive assessment of the distribution range, trends in abundance, and conservation status for most of the bird species that regularly occur in India ... This national-level assessment of birds is a significant step forward in the monitoring and conservation of India's rich and varied diversity' (title page). A website, <https://www.stateofindiabirds.in/>, provides in-depth details.

This publication is a milestone in the history of India's conservation movement, in that it is not just the first time such an assessment has been made, but that it has been powered by Citizen Science through the use of the online birding data software, www.eBird.org.

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451. **Sondhi, Sanjay & Prashant Kumar.**

2020. *Checklists of birds, butterflies and moths of Pawalgarh Conservation Reserve*. Uttarakhand, India, Uttarakhand Forest Department.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm with illus., cover), pp. i–iii, 1–44, 4 photographs (col., back cover), 1 map (inside back cover).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); Credits (p. ii); Author's note (p. iii); Bird checklist (pp. 1–14); Butterflies: an introduction to the families (pp. 15–19); Butterfly checklist (pp. 20–24); Moths: an introduction to the families (pp. 25–32); Moth checklist (pp. 33–38); References (pp. 39–41); Ruled blank pages (pp. 42–44). Map of Pawalgarh Conservation Reserve (inside back cover).

This work lists 387 taxa of birds, 135 of butterflies, and 182 of moths. The checklists are in tabular form with serial number, English name, scientific name, remarks, and a check box. The scientific and English names adopted for the bird checklist are primarily those adopted in 'The India Checklist' by Praveen et al. (2016).

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452. **Sondhi, Sanjay, Rajesh Panwar & K. Ramnarayan.**

2015. *A checklist of the birds of Pawalgarh Conservation Reserve*. Uttarakhand, India, Uttarakhand Forest Department.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–20, 4 photographs (col., back cover), 1 map (inside back cover).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); Credits (p. ii); Introductory note (p. iii); Checklist (pp. 1–18); Ruled blank pages (pp. 19–20); map of Pawalgarh Conservation Reserve (inside back cover).

This is the first published checklist of the birds of Pawalgarh Conservation Reserve listing 352 spp. The checklist is in tabular

form with serial number, English name, Hindi name, scientific name, and a check box for using as a checklist.

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453. Soni, R. G. & Harkirat Singh Sangha.

2019. *Waders of India*. Jaipur, India, Patrika Publication.

Pbk. (11 x 18 cm, with illus., cover), pp. 1–128, 2 pll. (col.), 92 photographs (col., various photographers), 1 portr. (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. 1, with photograph); quote (p. 2); Acknowledgments (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); Foreword (pp. 5–8, by Gulab Kothari); Waders of India (pp. 9–10); species accounts (pp. 11–95); 'Bharat ke wader pakshi' (pp. 96–114, in Hindi); Why we need birds, far more than they need us? (pp. 115–121); Waders' conservation (pp. 121–127).

This slim introductory booklet on waders covers 84 taxa, devoting a page to each, with the following details: Colour photograph, English, scientific, Sanskrit, and Hindi names, a few lines about the taxon in both, English and Hindi. Three chapters, one in Hindi, and the other two in English introduce the world of waders to the lay reader.

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454. Sood, Puneet.

2001. *Birds of Jaipur*. Jaipur, Puneet Publications.

Pbk. (12 x 18 cm, with illus., cover), pp. 5 ll., I–XVIII, 8 ll., 1–154, 57 photographs (col.), 1 portr. (col., back cover, author).

Contents: Tit., imp., Birds of Jaipur, quote, ded., conts. (pr. II.); pref. (pp. I–II); introd. (pp. III–VII); Systematic index of families and species in each (pp. VIII–XVII); photographs; Descriptions (pp. 1–115); Bird checklist of Jaipur (pp. 116–145); Short descriptions of some species (pp. 146–149); Epilogue (pp. 150–151); Acknowledgements (p. 152); Alphabetical index of the families and species groups (pp. 153–154).

In this work, 110 taxa of common birds in Jaipur, Rajasthan, are described, with details of size, status, description, call, habits, food, and nesting. A checklist lists 253 taxa. Additional short descriptions are provided for 11 taxa.

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455. Spencer, Michael.

2016. *The accidental birdwatcher*. India, BNHS-India & OUP.

Pbk. (14 x 21 cm, with illus., cover), pp. i–viii, 1–167+5, 19 photographs (col.).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); conts. (p. v); quote (p. vi); pref. (p. vii); Introduction: How it all began (pp. 1–14); The new world (pp. 15–29); Creative bureaucracy (pp. 30–47); Spain (pp. 48–59); Vocation/avocation (pp. 60–75); The 1960s (pp. 76–87); Introduction to India (pp. 88–99); Churchill, Manitoba (pp. 100–108); The world beckons (pp. 109–141); India again (pp. 142–151); The Darwin Sound (pp. 152–165); Select readings (pp. 166–167).

A biography spanning 80 years of birding, with several vignettes from India.

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456. Sreekumar, B. Ed.

2006. *Vembanad water bird count 2006*. Kottayam, Dept. of Forests & Wildlife, Govt. of Kerala.

Pbk. (18.0 x 17.0 cm), pp. 1–48, 1 photo (B&W, back inside cover), 1 map (back cover), 39 text–figs. 1 insert (Editor's note).

Contents: Insert (Vembanad water bird count 2006: Editor's note); tit. (p. 1); imp. (p. 2); Conts. (p. 3); Introduction (p. 4); Aims and objectives (p. 4); Study area – an overview (pp. 4–6); Methodology (pp. 6–7); Result (p. 7); Major families (pp. 7–13); Sector-wise analysis (pp. 13–17); Conclusions (pp. 17–18); Recommendations (p. 18); Bibliography (p. 18); Preliminary ecological studies on the Pathiramanal Island (p. 19, by Dr Jafer Palot); Appendix I: Bird counts of Vembanad – comparative figures for 2001 to 2006 (pp. 20–39); Appendix II: Check-list of birds (pp. 40–44); Appendix III: A conservation model for Vembanad Lake (pp. 45–46); Appendix IV: List of participants (pp. 47–48).

11,492 birds were counted on Vembanad Lake, a reduction of 60% from the previous year.

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457. Srinivasan, Shalini & Sundara Moorthy.

2012. *Sálim Ali: The bird man of India*. Mumbai, India, Amar Chitra Katha Private Limited. Vol. 835.

Pbk. (18 x 24.5 cm, with illus., cover), pp. 1–32, innum., illus. (col., by Sundara Moorthy).

Contents: Advt., and imp. (inside front cover); graphic novel (pp. 1–31); advt. (p. 32); advt. (inside back cover).

This is a biography of India's legendary ornithologist, Dr Sálim Ali, in graphic novel form, under the popular Indian series, Amar Chitra Katha.

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458. Srinivasulu, Chelamala & Bhargavi Srinivasulu. Eds.

2012. *Glimpses of biodiversity of Greater Hyderabad*. Hyderabad, India, Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation, Osmania University, Hyderabad & Zoo Outreach Organization, Coimbatore.

Pbk. (15 x 21 cm, with illus., cover), pp. 3–86, innum., photographs (col., by various photographers).

Contents: Photograph (front inside cover); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); Acknowledgements (p. 5, authors, October 2012); Message (p. 7, by Mohammad Majid Hussain); Foreword (p. 9, by M. T. Krishna Babu); Message (p. 11, by S. Satyanarayana);

Hyderabad: A brief background (pp. 12–21); Hyderabad–biodiversity (pp. 22–23); **Greater Hyderabad's biodiversity—a list of selected taxa:** Vascular plants of Greater Hyderabad (pp. 24–55); Odonates of Greater Hyderabad (pp. 56–57); Butterflies of Greater Hyderabad (pp. 58–61); Spiders of Greater Hyderabad (pp. 62–63); Fishes of Greater Hyderabad (pp. 64–65); Amphibians of Greater Hyderabad (pp. 66–67); Reptiles of Greater Hyderabad (pp. 68–71); Birds of Greater Hyderabad (pp. 72–81); Mammals of Greater Hyderabad (pp. 82–85); Suggested citation (p. 86); Photograph (back inside cover).

A bare checklist of birds is provided, which should be used with care, as some taxa seem to be out of range.

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459. **Stone, Roger D.**

2017. *The lives of Dillon Ripley: Natural scientist, wartime spy, and pioneering leader of the Smithsonian Institution*. USA, ForeEdge.

Hbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with gilt title on spine, and illus., dust cover), pp. i–xvi, 1–255, 25 photographs (B&W).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); conts. (pp. v–vi); Foreword (pp. vii–x, by Tom Lovejoy); introd. (pp. xi–xvi); Growing up golden (pp. 1–20); Birds of many feathers (pp. 21–40); Asian and other adventures (pp. 41–62); Pleasantly busy in New Haven (pp. 63–84); Defining a new culture (pp. 85–118); Displaying the nation's art (pp. 119–136); Media ventures and scholarly triumph (pp. 137–156); Building Smithsonian U. (pp. 157–176); Waves of complaints (pp. 177–190); Science and conservation (pp. 191–196); Retiring the crown (pp. 197–212); Acknowledgments (pp. 213–216); Chronology (pp. 217–218); Notes (pp. 219–234); Bibliography (pp. 235–238); Index (pp. 239–255).

This is a biography of Sidney Dillon Ripley. It is a bit thin on his involvement with South Asian ornithology.

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460. **Streumer, Paul.**

2016. *A land of their own: Samuel Richard Tickell and the formation of the Autonomous Ho Country in Jharkhand 1818–1842*. The historians'. Houten, The Netherlands, Wakkaman.

Hbk. (21 x 29.5 cm, with illus., cover), pp. i–xx, 1–331+3, pll. 1–12 (col., 4 pll., 8 photographs).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); author biography and imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); conts. (p. vii); map (p. viii); pll. 1–12 (pp. ix–xvi);

pref. (pp. xix–xx); Introduction: Individuals and peoples (pp. 1–4); Prologue: The birth of a tribe (pp. 5–22); **Part I: Another people's war, 1818–1830:** Difficult negotiations (pp. 25–40); Attack and counterattack (pp. 41–52); The mouth of a gun (pp. 53–60); A champaign country (pp. 61–72); The return of the Pauri Devi (pp. 73–76); Another people's war (pp. 77–80); **Part II: A new grand strategy, 1831–1837:** The genesis of Wilkinson's System (pp. 83–94); Strategic moves on the ethnic frontier (pp. 95–116); The arrival of the assistant (pp. 117–128); Poto Pingua's resistance (pp. 129–136); **Part III: The establishment of the estate, 1837–1842:** Post-conflict reconstruction (pp. 139–148); Consolidation (pp. 149–161); Afterglow: A complete history of Indian birds (pp. 163–170); **Part IV: Tickell's Hodésun articles of 1840:** The rude forefathers (pp. 173–182); The Hodésun articles (pp. 183–202); Reflection: The Tickell woman (pp. 203–208); **Conclusion: A people in their own land** (pp. 209–216); Appendix: Impact of Tickell's articles (pp. 217–220); Bibliography (pp. 221–242); Notes (pp. 243–320); Index (pp. 321–331); quote.

Though this is, in the main, a history of the Ho, a tribe in Jharkhand state, India, it is also a partial biography of Samuel Richard Tickell, and his involvement with their social and cultural life and upliftment in the late nineteenth century. More importantly, it records aspects of Tickell's ornithological work, and relationship with B.H. Hodgson.

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461. **Subba Rao, N. V. & D. R. K. Sastry.**

2005. *Fauna of Marine National Park, Gulf of Kachchh, Gujarat: An overview*. Conservation Area Series, 23. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–viii, 1–79+8, pll. I–VIII (col., 18 photographs), 1 map

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (pp. iii–viii); introd. (pp. 1–33); **Inventory of fauna of Gulf of Kachchh:** Porifera (pp. 34–36); Cnidaria (pp. 36–39); Annelida (pp. 39–41); Mollusca (pp. 41–51); Arthropoda (pp. 51–54); Sipuncula (pp. 54–55); Echiura (p. 55); Phoronida (p. 55); Bryozoa (pp. 56–57); Brachiopoda (pp. 57–59); Chordata (pp. 59–74); Reptilia (p. 65); Aves (pp. 65–74); Mammalia (p. 74); Flora (pp. 74–77); Algae (pp. 77–79); pll. I–VIII.

The section on Aves (pp. 56–74) lists 172 taxa.

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462. **Subbarao, Gopinath & Monahur Kuppuswamy Bhaskar.**

2019. *Birds & birdwatching in India*. Bengaluru, India, Published by the authors.

Pbk. (18 x 24 cm, with illus., cover), pp. i–xiv, 1–314, innum., photos (col., various photographs), 19 portr. (col.), i map

Contents: Photograph (inside front cover); tit. (p. i, inscribed by second author); imp. (p. ii); ded. (pp. iv–v); conts. (pp. vi–vii); Foreword (pp. viii–ix, by V. Santharam); Acknowledgements (pp. x–xi); How to use this book (pp. xii–xiii); photo (p. xiv); Birdwatching basics (pp. 1–18); Features of a bird (pp. 19–32); Species information (pp. 33–194); National parks and sanctuaries (pp. 195–299); Bibliography (p. 300); Glossary (pp. 301–303); IUCN categories (pp. 304–305); Index 1—scientific

names (pp. 306–309); Index 2—common names (pp. 310–313); note (p. 314); About the authors (inside back cover).

This work includes detailed descriptions of 160 bird spp. Each sp., is given a page, with two photographs, and the following information: English and scientific names, biometrics, IUCN conservation status, description, distribution, habitat, feeding, breeding, nesting, eggs, migration, and threats.

Chapter four tackles India's national parks and sanctuaries, presenting the following details for seventeen conservation areas: About the conservation area, map, historical landmarks, flora, fauna, best time to visit, and a trip sheet with information for the tourist.

The bibliography lists fifteen works.

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463. Subramanian, Meera.

2015. *A river runs again: India's natural world in crisis, from the barren cliffs of Rajasthan to the farmlands of Karnataka.* New York, Public Affairs.

Hbk. (15.5 x 23.5 cm, with reverse embossed gilt title on spine; illus., dust cover), pp. i–x, 1–339, 1 map, 1 portr. (B&W, author), 1 portr. (col., inside back flap of dust cover, author).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii, illus.); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); quote (p. vii); conts. (p. ix); map (p. x); introd. (pp. 1–7); Prithvi–Earth (pp. 9–66); Ap–Water (pp. 67–113); Agni–Fire (pp. 115–167); Vayu–Air (pp. 169–229); Akasha–Ether (pp. 231–274); Conclusion (pp. 275–282); Acknowledgments (pp. 283–286); Notes (pp. 287–330); Bibliography (pp. 331–335); about the author (p. 337, with a B&W portr.); advt. (p. 338).

In this work of investigative journalism as story, the chapter, Akasha–Ether (pp. 231–274), is on the catastrophic decline of vultures due to the ravages of the veterinary drug, Diclofenac.

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464. Sundev, Gombobaatar & Toru Yamazaki. Eds.

2018. *A field guide to the raptors of Asia: Sedentary raptors of Oriental and East Asia.* Mongolia, Mongolica Publishing. Vol. 2 of 2 vols.

Pbk. (13 x 20.5 cm, with illus., cover), pp. 1–220, 400+ photographs (col., by various photographers), maps.

Contents: Tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); ded. (p. 5, illus.); Table of conts. (p. 6); Foreword (p. 7, by Toru Yamazaki); Acknowledgement (pp. 8–9); introd. (pp. 10–13); Species accounts (pp. 14–203); References (pp. 204–213); A species list of sedentary raptors in East Asia (pp. 214–216); Raptor research and conservation organizations in East Asia (217–220).

For the first volume of this two-volume work see Yamazaki et al. (2012). This handy field guide covers 94 taxa. The species accounts are written by different authors, and provide the following details for each species: English name, scientific name, size, global status, photograph/s, other names, body measurements, distribution, habitat, food and foraging behaviour, breeding ecology, breeding density or home range, movement patterns, threats and conservation, degree of data reliability, and sufficiency of data. One hundred and fifteen works are listed under References.

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465. Tak, Prakash Chand & Jagdish P. Sati. Ed.

2003. *Fauna of Asan wetland (Dehra Dun Valley: Uttaranchal).* Wetland Ecosystem Series No. 5. Kolkata, India, Director, Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (21.5 x 28 cm, with illus. cover), pp. [i–vi], 1–56, 10 pll. (col., with 30 col. photographs), 3 maps (col.), tables, text-figs.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Conts. (p. iii); Acknowledgements (p. v, by Prakash Chand Tak & J. P. Sati); Fauna of Asan wetland: An overview (pp. 1–5, by Prakash Chand Tak, J. P. Sati & Arun Kumar); Annelida (pp. 7–10, by K. R. Halder & C. K. Mondal); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 11–13, by Arun Kumar & Gaurav Sharma); Coleoptera (Aquatic beetles) (pp. 15–17, by P. Mukhopadhyay & S. K. Ghosh); Mollusca (Freshwater) (pp. 19–22, by S. C. Mitra, A. Dey & Ramakrishna); Pisces (pp. 23–26, by Akhlaq Husain); Amphibia (pp. 27–28, by Akhlaq Husain); Reptilia (pp. 29–30, by Akhlaq Husain); Aves (pp. 31–38, by Prakash Chand Tak & J. P. Sati); Mammalia (pp. 39–42, by J. P. Sati & N. K. Sinha); Species richness and seasonal population change in waterfowls (pp. 43–52, by Prakash Chand Tak, J. P. Sati & Arun Kumar); Assessment and monitoring of a migratory waterfowl habitat using remote sensing techniques (pp. 53–56, by Arun Kumar).

The chapter on birds (pp. 43–52) lists 95 spp., and a list of twelve references.

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466. Tak, Prakash Chand & Anjum Nasreen Rizvi. Eds.

2019. *Fauna of Sultanpur National Park, Haryana.* Conservation Area Series, 60. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–203, pll. II–XVI (50 col., photographs), 1 map (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (p. iii); Fauna of Sultanpur National Park: An overview (pp. 1–7, by P. C. Tak & Anjum Nasreen Rizvi); Nematoda (Dorylaimida and Mononchida) (pp. 9–17, by Vinita Sharma); Nematoda (Tylenchida, Aphelencida,

Rhabditida, Araeolaimida, Monhysterida, Alaimida and Triplonchida) (pp. 19–42, by Anjum Nasreen Rizhvi); Insecta: Orthoptera: Acridoidea (pp. 43–53, by Narender Sharma); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Papilionoidea (pp. 55–72, by Narender Sharma & Parmod Kumar); Hymenoptera (pp. 73–85, by Sarfrazul Islam Kazmi & Sheela S.); Mollusca (pp. 87–91, by Parmod Kumar); Pisces (pp. 93–99, by Parmod Kumar); Amphibia (pp. 101–106, by Archana Bahuguna); Reptilia (pp. 107–117, by Archana Bahuguna); Aves (pp. 119–190, by P. C. Tak, Anjum Nasreen Rizhvi, P. Kumar & Anil Kumar); Mammalia (pp. 191–203, by P. C. Tak & Narender Sharma); Plates I–XVI.

The chapter on Aves (pp. 119–190) lists 412 taxa. These have been compiled from published literature, as well as faunistic surveys carried out in 2013 and 2014, and in January 2016. A systematic account presents the following details: Order, Family, scientific binomen, common name, characteristics, distribution in India, distribution elsewhere, conservation status and remarks. A tabulated systematic list of birds compares seven (including the present) surveys, and provides the residential status of the taxa. It lists thirty-four works under References.

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467. **Talmale, S. S. & M. S. Pradhan**

2009. *Identification of some small mammal species through owl pellet analysis*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 294. Kolkata, India. Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18.5 X 24.0 cm), 2 pr. ll., pp. 1–44, pll. 1–20 (b&w photos).

Contents: Tit., imp., Conts. [pr. ll.]; Introduction (pp. 1–2); Materials and methods (pp. 2–3); Abbreviations (pp. 3–5); Key to the identification of small mammal species (pp. 5–7); Systematic account (pp. 8–20); Summary (p. 20); Acknowledgements (pp. 20–21); References (pp. 21–23); pll. (pp. 25–44; 26 sets of b&w photos).

Contains twenty-seven references (pp. 21–23).

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468. **Thapar, Valmik. Ed.**

2016. *Winged fire: A celebration of Indian birds*. India, Aleph Book Company.

Hbk. (17 x 23.5 cm, with reverse embossed gilt title on spine, and illus., dust cover), pp. i–xxiv, 1–486, innum., photographs (col., various photographers).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (pp. ii–iii, frontisp.; inscribed by author); advt. (pp. iv–v, illus.); imp. (p. viii); conts. (pp. xv–xvii); A note on the book (p. xxi; by Valmik Thapar); **Book One. Bird quest:** Introduction (pp. 3–17); Bird quest (pp. 19–76, by Ramki Sreenivasan); **Book Two. Encounters with birds (selected and edited by Valmik Thapar):** Catching birds in Babur's Empire (pp. 82–83, by Babur); The Mughals and birds of the chase (pp. 84–85, by Abu'l-Fazl); Feeding the hawks (p. 87, by Abu'l-Fazl); Trapping fowl in water (pp. 88–89, by Abu'l-Fazl); 'Ishqbázi, the art of pigeon flying (pp. 90–93, by Abu'l-Fazl); Jahangir's exotic parrot (p. 94, by Jahangir); The magnificent pheasant (pp. 96–97, by Jahangir); Pairing of red-necked Sarus (pp. 98–99, by Jahangir); A world of incredible birds (pp. 100–101, by François Pyard); Hunting antelope with hawks (pp. 102–103, by J. Ovington); A hospital for all animals (pp. 104–105, by J. Ovington); The mountain of the pheasants (pp. 106–107, by H. G. Mainwaring); The Baya—A master weaver (pp. 108–109, by Mrs (Colonel) Elwood); The serpent killing peacock (pp. 110–111, by James Forbes); The scavenging Adjutant (pp. 112–113, by Hobart Caunter); The monkey and the crows (pp. 114–115, by Hobart Caunter); The Sarus and the brahmani (p. 116, by T. Seymour Burt); The slaughter of the snipe (pp. 117–120, by E. Napier); Plumages and heronries (pp. 121–123, by G. T. Vigne); Training the hawk to hunt (pp. 124–125, by Edward Archer Langley); Vultures and the Hill of Silence (p. 126, by Mrs Leopold Paget); The master tailor (p. 127, by Andrew Leith Adams); The pheasant of the snows (pp. 128–129, by Andrew Leith Adams); Birds of the Andaman mangroves (pp. 130–131, by Allan Hume); Pigeons of the Nicobar (pp. 132–134, by Allan Hume); Hornbills of Narcondam (pp. 135–136, by Allan Hume); Kingfisher on a palm beach (p. 137, by Allan Hume); The scavenger of Calcutta (p. 138, by Mrs Murray Mitchell); The sacred peafowl (pp. 139–140, J. H. Baldwin); Birds in my garden (pp. 141–142, by Edward Lockwood); The lizard and the fishing eagles (p. 143, by Edward Lockwood); The remarkable Paradise Flycatcher (pp. 144–145, by Valentine Ball); Edible nests of the swiftlet (p. 146, by Valentine Ball); Magical birds of south Konkan (pp. 147–148, by G. W. Vidal); Chattering birds at twilight (pp. 149–150, by G. W. Vidal); The pheasant and the fire (pp. 152–154, by Allan Hume); Quails, partridges, grouse and florikins (pp. 155–158, by William Rice); Vultures, talons and beaks (pp. 159–160, by William T. Hornaday); Beautiful birds of Tippera and Chittagong (pp. 161–163, by Frank B. Simson); The rare Pink-headed Duck of Purneah (pp. 164–165, by Frank B. Simson); The savage power of the falcon (pp. 166–167, by Samuel W. Baker); Birds of an Indian grove (pp. 168–171, by Moray Brown); Swooping across the skies (pp. 172–173, by Mark Thornhill); Birds of the Himalayan sunrise (pp. 174–175, by Mark Thornhill); Fattening teals for the table (pp. 176–177, by 'Raoul'); Vultures of Malabar Hill (pp. 178–179, by Edward Hamilton Aitken); Raptorial birds of India (pp. 180–181, by D. Cunningham); How to catch a fowl (pp. 182–183, by A. Mervyn Smith); A glorious peacock train (pp. 184–185, by E. P. Stebbing); Whip Snake and an eagle hawk (p. 186, by John Daniel St. Joseph); The musical avian pageant (pp. 187–188, by Douglas Dewar); The Sarus—symbol of matrimonial bliss (pp. 189–190, by F. W. Champion); Birds of the Mughal gardens (pp. 191–192, by C. M. Villiers Stuart); Jungle Fowl of the Buxa Duar (pp. 193–194, by Gordon Casserly); The melody of bird song (pp. 195–196, by Douglas Dewar); The babbling seven sisters (p. 197, by Frank Finn); The nimble mynah (pp. 198–199, by Frank Finn); The world of migrant birds (pp. 200–201, by R. W. G. Hingston); The gorgeous Purple Sunbird (pp. 202–203, by R. W. G. Hingston); Splendid plumaged fowls (pp. 204–205, by E. P. Stebbing); Himalayan beauties (pp. 206–208, by Nigel

Woodyatt); The viper and the weaver (pp. 209–210, by Gordon Casserly); Massacre in the Bikaner Desert (pp. 211–212, by Bernard C. Ellison); A night in the jungle (pp. 213–215, by F. W. Champion); The great king of fishing (pp. 216–217, by George Hogan Knowles); The nest of the weaver (pp. 218–219, by John Symington); The peafowl and Christmas dinner (pp. 220–221, by John Symington); Bharatpur—the royal shoot (pp. 222–224, by E. J. O'Meara); Birds of every feather (pp. 225–226, by D. King Martin); Teeming with bird life (p. 227, by Lady Lawrence); The mastery of bird catchers (p. 228, by Jean de Thevenot); Birds of the Ganges (p. 229, by Jean de Thevenot); Duck soup in winter (p. 230, by Monica Martin); The master fisherman (pp. 231–233, by Jim Corbett); Birds in the kingdom of lions (pp. 234–236, by R. S. Dharmakumarsinhji); Killer turns lover (pp. 237–239, by Khushwant Singh); A flash of gold (p. 240, by Malcolm Macdonald); The parrots and a bear (pp. 241–244, by Hugh Allen); Bigheads of the avian world (pp. 245–247, by Patrick Hanley); Grouse and duck shoots of kings (pp. 248–250, by Kesri Singh); The mystery of the birds of Cachar (pp. 251–253, by E. P. Gee); The cormorant, the egrets and the iguana (pp. 254–255, by Frank Nicholls); Birds of high altitudes (pp. 258–259, by J. G. Elliott); Dusk in jungleland (pp. 260–261, by Kenneth Anderson); The golden king of the skies (pp. 262–264, by C. H. Donald); The pink city of flamingos (pp. 265–266, by Shivraj Kumar of Jasdan, R. M. Naik, & K. S. Lavkumar); A flash of red (pp. 268–270, by Barbara Curtis Horton); The monarch and the fox (pp. 271–272, by Sirdar Mohamed Osman); Red-naped Shaheen and starlings (pp. 273–274, by Sirdar Mohamed Osman); The quail catchers of the maharajas (p. 275, by John J. Craighead & Frank C. Craighead, Jr.); Blankets of flamingos and cranes (pp. 276–277, by John J. Craighead & Frank C. Craighead, Jr.); Crested-serpent eagle (pp. 278–279, by Rishad Naoraji); A paradise for birds (pp. 280–281, by A. J. T. Johnsingh); Garuda—fire god of the sky (pp. 282–283, by Adele Nozedar); Birders and their flying wonders (pp. 284–285, by Sam Keen); Birds of the village pond (pp. 286–290, by Salim Ali & Laeeq Futehally); Murghabazi—the great cock fights (p. 291, by Pran Nevile); Rajni and the laughing thrushes (pp. 292–293, by Peter Smetacek); Wagging their tail (pp. 294–295, by M. Krishnan); The Common Kingfisher (pp. 296–297, by M. Krishnan); Hoots and screams (pp. 298–299, by E. R. C. Davidar); Birds of the mountains (pp. 300–301, by Bulbul Sharma); Cuckoos in off season (pp. 302–303, by Irwin Allan Sealy); Birdsong in the hills (pp. 304–306, by Ruskin Bond); The melodious Magpie Robin (p. 307, by Zafar Futehally); **Book Three. Winged fire:** Portfolio (pp. 309–461, ed., by Valmik Thapar); A note on style (p. 462); Notes on the contributors (pp. 462–464); Photo credits (p. 464); Acknowledgements (pp. 465–467); Selected bibliography (pp. 468–469); List of Indian birds (pp. 470–482).

This is the third work in a trilogy, with the others being *Tiger Fire*, and *Wild Fire*. It is a rich collection of essays by 77 contributors—over the ages—on the birdlife of India, and is amply illustrated with innumerable, top quality, colour photographs. The bibliography lists eighty-three works.

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469. **Thirumalai, G. Ed.**

2009. *Fauna of Tamil Nadu*. State Fauna Series, 17 (Part-1). Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Hbk. (20.5 x 27.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–viii, 1–256, 28 pl., (col., with 227 photographs), 2 maps (col.).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Acknowledgements (p. iii); conts. (pp. v–vii); Overview (pp. 1–5, by G. Thirumalai & S. Krishnan); Rotifera (pp. 7–12, by M. B. Raghunathan & R. Sureshkumar); Annelida: Hirudinea (pp. 13–15, by C. K. Mandal); Crustacea: Cladocera (Freshwater) (pp. 17–21, by M. B. Raghunathan & R. Sureshkumar); Crustacea: Ostracoda (Freshwater) (pp. 23–24, by M. B. Raghunathan); Crustacea: Decapoda: Caridea (pp. 25–27, by M. B. Raghunathan & K. Valarmathi); Crustacea: Decapoda: Gecarcinucidae (pp. 29–30, by O. P. Srivastava); Insecta: Thysanura (p. 31, by K. Chandra & R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Ephemeroptera (pp. 33–34, by K. Chandra & R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 35–39, by K. G. Emiliyamma); Insecta: Plecoptera (pp. 41–43, by K. Chandra & R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 45–54, by D. Prabhakar); Insecta: Embioptera (pp. 55–56, by K. Chandra & R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Dictyoptera: Blattodea (pp. 57–59, by S. Prabhakaran, S. K. Mandal & K. Yadav); Insecta: Mantodea (pp. 61–63, by K. Chandra & R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Hemiptera: Nepomorpha and Gerromorpha (pp. 65–71, by G. Thirumalai); Insecta: Homoptera: Membracidae (pp. 73–77, by S. Prabhakaran & G. Thirumalai); Insecta: Coleoptera: Scarabaeidae (pp. 79–89, by Kailash Chandra); Insecta: Coleoptera: Cerambycidae (pp. 91–97, by M. P. Sreedharan Nambodiri & G. Thirumalai); Insecta: Mecoptera (p. 99, by K. Chandra & R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Siphonaptera (p. 101, by K. Chandra & R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Diptera: Psychodidae (pp. 103–104, by K. Ilango); Insecta: Diptera: Culicidae (pp. 105–107, by K. Ilango); Insecta: Diptera: Ceratopogonidae (pp. 109–110, by K. Ilango); Insecta: Diptera: Cecidomyiidae (pp. 111–113, by R. M. Sharma); Insecta: Diptera: Tabanidae (pp. 115–116, by K. Ilango); Insecta: Diptera: Tipuloidea (pp. 117–121, by K. Ilango); Insecta: Diptera: Tephritidae (pp. 123–124, by K. Ilango); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera (pp. 125–135, by Muhamed Jafer Palot & C. Radhakrishnan); Insecta: Trichoptera (pp. 137–139, by K. Chandra & R. M. Sharma); Scorpionida (pp. 141–143, by T. J. Indra); Chilopoda: Scolopendromorpha (pp. 145–148, by Vinod Khanna); Mollusca: Gastropoda (Freshwater) (pp. 149–152, by M. B. Raghunathan & V. R. Punithavelu); Bryozoa: Ectoprocta (Freshwater) (pp. 153–154, by T. K. Samanta); Pisces (Freshwater) (pp. 155–163, by K. Rema Devi, T. J. Indra & M. B. Raghunathan); Amphibia (pp. 165–185, by K. P. Dinesh & C. Radhakrishnan); Reptilia (pp. 187–198, by R. Aengals); Aves (pp. 199–216, by G. Thirumalai, S. Krishnan & K. Valarmathi); Mammalia (pp. 217–256, by M. S. Pradhan).

The list of birds in Aves (pp. 199–256) contains 498 spp; and lists thirty-nine references.

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470. **Thirumalai, G. & S. Krishnan.**

2005. *Pictorial handbook—birds of Chennai*. 1st ed. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (21.5 x 14 cm, with illus. cover), pp. [i]–xvi, [1]–196+2, 1 map, 12+181 photos (col.), 4 pll. (col.), 3 line-drawings
Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Foreword (p. iii, by J.R.B. Alfred); Pref. (p. v, by G. Thirumalai & S. Krishnan); Acknowledgements (p. vii); Conts. (pp. ix–xvi); Introd. (pp. 1–5); Map of Chennai (p. 6); Some bird watching sites (pp. 7–12); Systematic list (pp. 13–25); Descriptive parts of birds (pp. 26–28); species accounts (pp. 29–166); Species factsheets (pp. 167–169); Selected bibliography (pp. 170–173); Index: scientific names (pp. 174–181); Index: common names (pp. 182–188); Index: vernacular names (pp. 189–196).

The species accounts are arranged so that a sp., is treated on one page, giving the following details: family, serial number, scientific citation, English name, Tamil name (in Tamil script, and transliterated into English), field identification characters, habits and habitat, distribution, status, IUCN (status), and, remarks. One or more photos illustrate each sp.

This work lists and describes 139 spp., though it claims that about 200 spp., are reported from Chennai. The photos are decidedly poor in quality. Some species' photos are of mounted specimens! A few are illus., with artwork. Surprisingly some waders seem to have been propped up, and look like birds confiscated from traders. Some, unforgivably, have their eyes stitched! (p. 71).

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471. **Thirumalai, G. & S. Krishnan. Eds.**

2006. *Fauna of Biligiri Rangaswamy Temple Wildlife Sanctuary (Karnataka)*. Conservation Area Series, 27. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18 x 24 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–iv, 1–263, 18 col. pll., 2 col. maps, text-figs., tables.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); Imprint (p. ii); Conts. (pp. iii–iv); An overview (pp. 1–4, by G. Thirumalai & S. Krishnan); Rotifera (pp. 5–8, by M. B. Raghunathan); Mollusca (pp. 9–12, by Ramakrishna, S. C. Mitra & N. A. Aravind); Crustacea: Cladocera (pp. 13–16, by M. B. Raghunathan); Crustacea: Decapoda: Gecarcinucidae (crabs) (pp. 17–20, by O. P. Srivastava & S. Krishnan); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 21–25, by K. G. Emiliyamma & C. Radhakrishnan); Insecta: Orthoptera (pp. 27–34, by S. K. Mandal & A. K. Hazra); Insecta: Hemiptera (pp. 35–57, by M. Ghosh, B. Biswas & Animesh Bal); Insecta: Hemiptera (aquatic and semi-aquatic) (pp. 59–82, by G. Thirumalai & R. Suresh Kumar); Insecta: Coleoptera (pp. 83–90, by P. Mukhopadhyay); Insecta: Coleoptera: Scarabaeoidea: Scarabaeidae (dung beetles) (pp. 91–135, by Priyadarsanan Dharma Rajan); Insecta: Diptera: Tephritidae (pp. 137–139, by C. Radhakrishnan); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera (pp. 141–152, by C. Radhakrishnan & M. J. Palot); Insecta: Hymenoptera: Formicidae (pp. 153–188, by Priyadarsanan Dharma Rajan, Merry Zacharias & T. M. Mustak Ali); Insecta: Hymenoptera (Apocrita) (pp. 189–195, by P. M. Sureshan & C. Radhakrishnan); Scorpion (pp. 197–200, by T. J. Indra); Aranea: Arachnida (spiders) (pp. 201–206, by D. B. Bastawade & V. Baghyalakshmi); Pisces (pp. 207–222, by K. Rema Devi, T. J. Indra & S. Krishnan); Amphibia (pp. 223–232, by M. S. Ravichandran & S. Krishnan); Reptilia (pp. 233–238, by T. S. N. Murthy & G. Thirumalai); Aves (pp. 239–258, by N. A. Aravind & Dinesh Rao); Mammals (pp. 259–263, by N. A. Aravind).

The authors list 248 spp., of birds (pp. 240–256). Sixteen references are listed (pp. 257–258).

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472. **Thirumalai, G. & S. Krishnan. Eds.**

2007. *Fauna of Bannerghatta National Park (Karnataka)*. Conservation Area Series, 33. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. i–iv, 1–141, pll. I–XVI (col., 79 photographs), 1 map.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (pp. iii–iv); Fauna of Bannerghatta National Park, Karnataka—An overview (pp. 1–4, by G. Thirumalai & S. Krishnan); Rotifera (pp. 5–12, by M. B. Raghunathan & R. Sureshkumar); Crustacea: Cladocera (pp. 13–19, by M. B. Raghunathan & R. Sureshkumar); Crustacea: Copepoda (pp. 21–23, by M. B. Raghunathan & K. Valarmathi); Crustacea: Freshwater Prawns (pp. 25–31, by M. B. Raghunathan & K. Valarmathi); Crustacea: Brachyura: Crabs (pp. 33–37, by O. P. Srivastava); Insecta: Odonata (pp. 39–41, by K. G. Emiliyamma & C. Radhakrishnan); Insecta: Mantodea (pp. 43–44, by T. K. Mukherjee & A. K. Hazra); Insecta: Hemiptera (pp. 45–61, by G. Thirumalai); Insecta: Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera (pp. 63–66, by C. Radhakrishnan & Mohamed Jafer Palot); Insecta: Diptera (pp. 67–75, by Bulganin Mitra & T. Parui); Insecta: Hymenoptera (Apocrita) (pp. 77–80, by P. M. Sureshan); Arachnida: Scorpionida (pp. 81–83, by T. J. Indra); Gastropoda (pp. 85–88, by V. R. Punithavelu & M. B. Raghunathan); Pisces (pp. 89–101, by K. Rema Devi, T. J. Indra & S. Krishnan); Amphibia (pp. 103–109, by A. Anand Kumar, M. S. Ravichandran & Ramakrishna); Reptilia (pp. 111–121, by R. Aengals); Aves (pp. 123–134, by G. Thirumalai, S. Krishnan, K. Valarmathi & K. Rema Devi); Mammalia (pp. 135–141, by K. Valarmathi & S. Krishnan).

The chapter on Aves (pp. 123–134) lists 222 taxa in a table, which provides information on their endemic status, threat status, and legal status. Four works are listed under References.

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473. **Thompson, Paul M. & David L. Johnson. Eds.**

1996. *Birding in Bangladesh: a guide to bird watching sites and a checklist of birds*. Dhaka, Bangladesh, Oriental Bird Club.

Foolscap, pp. i–ii, 1–51, 6 line-drawings (by; Nalini Bayen), maps 1–14 (by; David L. Johnson)

Contents: Pref., acknowledgements (p. i); Conts. (p. ii); Introd. (pp. 1–8); Locations of sites (p. 9); North-central (pp. 10–15); North-east (pp. 16–25); South-east (pp. 26–30); South-central (pp. 31–34); South-west (pp. 35–36); North-west (pp.

37–38); Checklist of the birds of Bangladesh (pp. 39–51).

This is a compilation of information on nineteen birding sites in Bangladesh, along with a complete checklist of birds of Bangladesh. Site contributors include: David L. Johnson, Paul M. Thompson, S.M.A. Rashid, Anisuzzaman Khan, Arend van Riessen, and Robert Walton.

The introduction has the following sub-sections: summary, basics, getting around, accommodation and food, health and safety, climate and timing, habitats, conservation, birds, expectations, books and guides, birding equipment, and contacts.

Each birding site includes an area map, and sub-sections with brief information: general notes; access; birds; other species; accommodation. A checklist (updated to 1 October 1996), with abbreviated annotations, lists about 690 taxa.

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473A. Tillotson, Giles & Aditi Mazumdar.

2021. *Birds of India: Company paintings c. 1800 to 1835.* New Delhi, India, DAG.

Hbk. (19 x 23 cm, with illus., cover; issued without dust cover), pp. 1–288, illus., 1–125 (col., various artists).

Contents: Front endpaper (illus.); sub-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3, illus.); conts. (pp. 4–5, illus.); Paper, bird, word (pp. 7–21, by Giles Tillotson); John Latham's world of birds (pp. 23–29, by Aditi Majumdar); The catalogue: The Cunninghame Grahame Album, Calcutta, 1800–1804. All works are watercolour on paper (pp. 30–229); 8 folios, Calcutta, c. 1810. All works are watercolour on paper (pp. 230–247); 14 folios from the Faber Album c. 1830. All works are watercolour on paper (pp. 248–277); 4 folios by Chuni Lal of Patna c. 1835. All works are watercolour on paper (pp. 278–287); imp. (288); Back endpaper (illus.).

This sumptuous exhibition catalogue brings to light an important collection of ornithological art form style called 'Company School'. Ninety-nine folios are from an album that belonged to a famous Scottish family called Cunninghame Graham. Unfortunately, the Indian artists are not named, and remain anonymous. Eight folios are from Calcutta, fourteen from an album entitled 'F. W. Faber, 1831', and four from an album of Patna paintings by Chuni Lal, who was commissioned by Captain Edward Inge of the 4th Light Dragoons.

No. 21 (pp. 72–73) is a Ruff *T. pugnax*, and not a 'Common Redshank (*Tringa tetanus*)' [sic], as identified. No. 53 (pp. 136–137) looks like *Lanius schach tricolor*. No. 71 (pp. 172–173) should read *Pericrocotus cinnamomeus*. No. 80 (pp. 190–191) looks more like a Tawny-bellied Babbler *Dumetia hypertythra* than a 'Plain Prinia'. No. 103 (pp. 238–239), the 'Southern Grey Shrike' rather resembles a Large Cuckooshrike *Coracina macei*. No. 106 (pp. 244–245), the Indian Golden Oriole is now known as *Oriolus kundoo*. No. 116 (pp. 266–267) is surely *Oriolus kundoo*. No. 118 (pp. 270–271) is surely a Forest Wagtail *Dendronanthus indicus*.

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474. Tiwari, S. K., J. R. B. Alfred & S. K. Dutta. Eds.

2002. *Vertebrate fauna of Chandaka-Dampara Wildlife Sanctuary Orissa.* Conservation Area Series, 14. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Hbk. (18 x 24 cm, with illus. cover), pp. i–vi, 1–126, pll. I–XXIV (interleaved between chapters; 90 col. photos), 1 map, 2 figs.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); Imprint (p. ii); Pref. (p. iii, by S.K. Tiwari, J. R. B. Alfred & S. K. Dutta); Conts. (p. v); A profile of Chandaka-Dampara Wildlife Sanctuary (p. 1–8); Mammalia (p. 9–28); Aves (p. 29–86); Reptilia (p. 87–104); Amphibia (p. 105–112); Fishes (p. 113–126).

The chapter on birds contains an annotated list of 167 taxa, and lists nineteen bibliographic references.

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474A. Troelstra, Anne Sjerp. (1939–2019)

2016. *Bibliography of natural history travel narratives.* The Netherlands, KNNV Publishing.

Hbk. (20x28 cm, with illus., cover; issued without dust cover), pp. 1–482.

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); Inhoud [conts.] (p. 5); pref., and acknowledgements (p. 7); introd. (pp. 9–12); The evolution of the natural history travel narrative (pp. 13–24); Travel narratives arranged alphabetically by author (pp. 25–465); Secondary sources (pp. 466–475); Geographical index (pp. 476–481); Colophon (p. 482). [Reprinted: 2018.]

'Anne Troelstra's fine bibliography is an outstanding and ground-breaking work. He has provided the academic world with a long-needed bibliographical record of human endeavour in the field of the natural sciences.

'The travel narratives listed here encompass all aspects of the natural world in every part of the globe, but are especially concerned with its fauna, flora and fossil remains. Such eyewitness accounts have always fascinated their readers, but they were never written solely for entertainment: fragmentary though they often are, these narratives of travel and exploration are of immense importance for our scientific understanding of life on earth, providing us with a window on an ever changing, and often vanishing, natural world. Without such records of the past we could not track, document or understand the significance of changes that are so important for the study of zoogeography.

'With this book Troelstra gives us a superb overview of natural history travel narratives. The well over four thousand detailed entries, ranging over four centuries and all major western European languages, are drawn from a wide range of sources and include both printed books and periodical contributions. While no subject bibliography by a single author can attain absolute

completeness, Troelstra's work is comprehensive to a truly remarkable degree,' (publisher's blurb).

Each author's name is followed by sources of biographical material, a short biography, and a chronological list of publications with their bibliographic details.

The section on secondary sources (pp. 466–475) lists 329 works.

The geographical index (pp. 476–481) comprises 15 geographical areas under which are listed their political entities. Thus, under Asia are listed, amongst others, Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Burma (=Myanmar], India, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, and Tibet—and under these are listed names of authors of travelogues.

This work is a gold mine of biographical, and bibliographical information. Some of the authors of interest to this work include: Adams, Andrew Leith; Babault, M. G.; Beebe, William; Berg, Bengt Magnus Kristoffer; Chun, Carl; Cutting, Charles Suydam; Dampier, William; Darwin, Charles; Delessert, Adolphe; Durrell, Gerald Malcolm; Griffith, Edward; Haeckel, Ernst Heinrich Philipp August; Hagenbeck, John Heinrich; Hartert, Ernst Johann Otto; Hass, Hans; Heinrich, Gerd H.; Henderson, George; Hoffmeister, Werner Friedrich; Hooker, J. D.; Hooker, William; Hornaday, William Temple; Hugel, Karl Alexander Anselm Freiherr Von; Hume, Allan Octavian; Jacquemont, Venceslas Victor; Kauffmann, Oskar; Kaulbach, Ronald; Kaulbach, Ronald John Henry; Kingdon-Ward, Francis; Kloss, Cecil Boden; König, Johann Gerhard; Ludlow, Frank; Matthiessen, Peter; Meebold, Alfred; Molisch, Hans; Mountfort, Guy; Nicoll, Michael John; Rothschild, Walter; Schafer, Ernst; Schaller, George Beals; Schlagintweit-Sakünlünski, Hermann Rudolf Alfred; Sclater, Philip Lutley; Sherriff, George; Smythe, Francis Sydney; Stebbing, Edward Percy; Stevens, Herbert; Thompson, Thomas; Whistler, Hugh; and Wiele, Hermann.

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474B. Troelstra, Anne Sjerp.

2018. *Supplement to Bibliography of natural history travel narratives*. The Netherlands, KNNV Publishing.

Pbk. (20 x 28 cm, centre-pinned), pp. 1–40.

Contents: Minor corrections and secondary literature (pp. 3–4); Additions to the main list (pp. 5–39); About the author (p. 40).

Contains a list of 19 references, besides an additional 71 authors, 'suggested for inclusion by Dr. Robert Gilbert' (p. 3).

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475. Tyagi, A. K. & B. S. Lamba.

1984. *A contribution to the breeding biology of two Indian mynas*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 55. Kolkata, India, Director: Zoological Survey of India.

Pdf, pp. 1 I., i–ii, 1–108, pll. I–XXII (B&W, photographs), Line drawings 1–13, 1 map, tables.

Contents: Tit., imp. (p. I.); conts. (pp. i–ii); introd (pp. 1–2); Materials and methods (pp. 2–3); Habits and habitats (pp. 3–4); Study area (pp. 4–12); **Observations on the breeding behaviour:** The Indian Pied Myna *Sturnus contra contra* Linnaeus (pp. 12–47); *Sturnus pagodarum* (Gmelin) The Brahminy Myna (pp. 47–74); Discussion (pp. 74–92); Summary (pp. 92–97); Acknowledgement (p. 97); References (pp. 97–108); pll. I–XXII (24 pp., 42 B&W photographs).

The following topics are covered for each species: Breeding season, mating, territory, nest construction, clutch, eggs, incubation, and nest life. Under Discussion, the following topics are covered: Breeding season, pair formation, territory, nest, eggs, incubation, and the young.

Under References, one hundred and eighty-two works are listed.

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476. Uglow, Jenny.

2017. *Mr Lear: A life of art and nonsense*. London, UK, Faber & Faber Ltd.

Hbk. (15.5 x 23.5 cm, with illus., cover; issued without dust cover; reverse embossed gilt title on cloth spine), pp. i–ix, 1–598, 521 illus. (col., line drawings, etc).

Contents: Line drawings (front endpaper); half-tit. (p. i); advt. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii, illus.); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); conts. (pp. vii–viii); poem (p. ix, by Edward Lear); Prologue: 'It's absurd...' (pp. 1–6); Fledging (pp. 7–42; three chapters); Perching (pp. 43–106; five chapters); Flying (pp. 107–198; eight chapters); Tumbling (pp. 199–294; eight chapters); Circling (pp. 295–372; six chapters); Calling (pp. 373–466; eight chapters); Swooping (pp. 467–521; four chapters); Acknowledgements (pp. 523–524); List of illustrations (pp. 525–528); Abbreviations (p. 529); Select bibliography (pp. 530–533); Notes (pp. 534–582); Index (pp. 583–598); Line drawings (back endpaper).

This is a definitive biography of Edward Lear, artist and poet. His relevance to South Asian ornithology stems from the fact that he was the inspiration behind John Gould's fantastic success with illustrated large folios, and painted the plates of the latter's *Century of Birds*; he also trained Gould's wife, Elizabeth, in lithography. A chapter entitled 'India' (pp. 435–445), details his travels in the country and Ceylon (=Sri Lanka).

The entire work is finely illustrated with reproductions of Lear's art.

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477. Vachharajani, Bijal & Radha Rangarajan.

2020. *10 Indian champions who are fighting to save the planet*. India, Duckbill Books.

Pbk. (13 x 20 cm), pp. 3 ll., 1–114, 3 illus., 2 portrs. (B&W, authors).

Contents: Tit., advt., tit., imp., conts. (pr. ll.); introd. (pp. 1–4); The snake man of India: Romulus Whitaker (pp. 5–15); Making waves: Prineeta Dandekar (pp. 16–25); An office under the ocean: Rohan Arthur (pp. 26–34); Living with leopards: Vidya Athreya (pp. 35–44); Billing with the hornbills: Aparajita Datta (pp. 45–57); Roving reporter: Jay Mazoomdaar (pp. 58–66); Talking about the elephant in the room: Minal Pathak (pp. 67–79); Drawing doomsday: Rohan Chakravarty (pp. 80–89); Food for all: Kavitha Kuruganti (pp. 90–98); Music out of waste: Laxmi Kamble & Dharavi Rocks (pp. 99–108); Sources (pp. 109–110); about the authors (pp. 111–112); advt. (pp. 113–114).

This little volume has a chapter on the work done on hornbills by Aparajita Datta and her group (pp. 45–57), and one on Rohan Chakravarty's environmental work through cartoons (pp. 80–89).

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478. Venkatraman, C. & V. Gokula.

2009. *Coastal birds of Tamil Nadu*. Records of the Zoological Survey of India, Occasional Paper No. 303. Kolkata, India. Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (18.5 X 24.0 cm), 2 pr. ll., pp. 1–64, figs. 1–9 (maps, text-figs., and line drawings).

Contents: Tit., imp., Conts. [pr. ll.]; Introduction (pp. 1–2); Review of literature (p. 3); Description of study areas (pp. 3–8); Materials and methods (pp. 9–14); Description of the species (pp. 15–47); Observations and results (pp. 47–59); Conclusion (pp. 59–60); Acknowledgements (p. 60); References (pp. 60–64; 46 references listed).

Lists 93 spp. The chapter, 'Description of the species,' gives brief notes under: description, habits, habitat, nest, eggs, food, size, status and distribution, and observation localities. Table 2 presents the status and distribution of coastal birds in Tamil Nadu (pp. 49–54).

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479. Vijayan, Lalitha & Ravi Sankaran

2000. *A study on the ecology, status and conservation perspectives of certain rare endemic avifauna of the Andaman & Nicobar Islands. Final report*. Coimbatore, India. SACON.

PDF (with illus., cover), pp. [i–vii], i–iv, 1–184, 21 photographs (B&W), line drawings, 6 maps.

Contents: Tit., imp., conts. (pr. ll.); Foreword (p. i, by V. S. Vijayan); pref. (p. ii); Acknowledgments (p. iii); Executive summary & recommendations (pp. 1–16); introd. (pp. 17–22); Avifauna of the Andaman Islands and their conservation (pp. 23–32); Endemic avifauna of the Nicobar Islands and their conservation (pp. 33–43); Developing a protected area network in the Nicobar Islands: The perspective of endemic avifauna (pp. 44–56); Narcondam Hornbill *Aceros narcondami* (pp. 57–66); Andaman Teal *Anas gibberifrons albobularis* (pp. 67–102); Nicobar Megapode *Megapodius nicobariensis* (pp. 103–154); References (pp. 155–166); Appendices (pp. 167–182); List of publications from the project (p. 183); About SACON (p. 184).

The Appendices comprise: Appendix I. The birds of the Andaman & Nicobar Islands (pp. 167–172); Appendix II. Birds of the Andaman Islands observed during the study (pp. 173–176); Appendix III. National parks and sanctuaries in the Andaman & Nicobar Islands (pp. 177–178); Appendix IV. Distribution and status of endemic avifauna in the Nicobar group of islands (pp. 179–180); Appendix V. Habitat loss and human population densities in the Nicobar Islands (p. 181); Appendix VI. Plants recorded in the wetlands, mainly Andaman Teal habitats (p. 182).

Appendix I lists 214 taxa, and Appendix II, 214 taxa of birds.

This is an important report on the faunal resources and status of the Andaman & Nicobar Islands, especially endemic avifauna.

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480. Vijayan, Vadayil Sankaran.

1987. *The proposed Galvalume Plant of General Engineering Works at Keoladeo National Park - an impact assessment*.

Bombay, Bombay Natural History Society.

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481. Vijayan, Vadayil Sankaran.

1987. *Vertebrate fauna of Keoladeo National Park*. Bombay, Bombay Natural History Society.

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1989. *Keoladeo National Park Ecology Project. Annual Report 1988*. Bombay, Bombay Natural History Society.

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483. **Vijayan, Vadayil Sankaran.**
1990. *Keoladeo National Park Ecology Study (1980-1990) - an Overview*. Bombay, Bombay Natural History Society.
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1991. *Keoladeo National Park. Final Report 1980-1990*. Bombay, Bombay Natural History Society.
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485. **Vyas, Rakesh.**
2013. *Birds of Rajasthan*. 1st ed. Mumbai, India. Bombay Natural History Society & Oxford University Press.
Hbk. (14 x 22 cm, with illus., cover; issued without dust cover), pp. i–xiv, 1–322+4, 500+ photographs (col., by various photographers), 1 portr. (col., author, back cover), maps.
Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); conts. (p. v); Foreword (p. vi, by Asad R. Rahmani); pref. (p. vii, by Bharat Singh); Message (p. viii, by Saroj K. Poddar); Message (p. ix, by Ashok Gehlot); Acknowledgements (pp. x–xi); Tribute (pp. xii–xiii); introd. (pp. 1–2); Bird morphology (p. 3); Biogeography of Rajasthan (pp. 4–9); Ecotourism in Rajasthan (pp. 10–16); Introduction to bird ringing (pp. 17–20); The socio-cultural aspects of conservation in Rajasthan (pp. 20–21); Guide to field equipment (pp. 22–23); Important Bird Areas in Rajasthan (pp. 24–33); Descriptions of the families of birds of Rajasthan (pp. 34–39); Descriptions of species (pp. 40–276); Addendum (pp. 277–278); Females of some dimorphic species (pp. 279–285); Checklist of the birds of Rajasthan (pp. 286–298); Glossary (pp. –301); Bibliography (pp. 302–308); Advt. (pp. 309–310); Index of common names (pp. 311–316); Index of scientific names (pp. 317–319); Notes (320–322; blank pages); advt. (4 pp.).
Species accounts include a col., photograph, English name, scientific name, size, local name, and information on distribution, bare parts, features, habits and habitats, breeding, food, voice, and conservation status.
The checklist comprises 480 taxa, and provides a tabular format of occurrence or absence in nine important birding areas of Rajasthan. One hundred and forty-two works are listed in the bibliography.
Review: H.S. Sangha. 2016. *Indian BIRDS* 12 (2&3): 87–88.
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486. **Vyas, Sudhir**
2019. *The birds of the Delhi area: An annotated checklist*. Indian BIRDS Monograph 1. Hyderabad, India. New Ornithological Foundation.
Pbk. (21 x 28 cm, with illus. cover), pp. 1–128, 30 photographs (col.), 1 portr. (col., author), 2 maps (col.). Website URL: http://www.indianbirds.in/pdfs/IB_Mono1_Vyas_DelhiBirds1.pdf.
Contents: Editorial and conts. (inside front cover); tit. (p. 1); Foreword (p. 3, by Sudhir Vyas, 24 February 2019); The Delhi area (pp. 2–6); Birding about Delhi (pp. 7–9); The Checklist—an overview (pp. 10–14); The birds of the Delhi area: An annotated checklist (pp. 15–109); Pre-1970 historical records (pp. 110–112); Expunged records (pp. 113–114); Conservation issues (pp. 115–120); Population trends (pp. 121–122); References (pp. 123–128); About Sudhir Vyas (p. 128).
The definitive checklist of the birds of the Delhi area, covering 457 taxa. The first from South Asia to use seasonality graphs from eBird records.
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487. **Wadatar, Jayant, Raju Kasambe & Gajanan Wagh.**
2010. *Checklist of birds of Amravati District*. Amravati, Wildlife & Environment Conservation Society.
Pbk. (14 x 21 cm, with illus., cover), pp. [i–ii], 1–22, 2 maps (col., back cover). In Marathi and English.
Contents: Tit., imp. (pr. I.); introd. (pp. 1–2, in Marathi); Checklist (pp. 3–15); IUCN listed Threatened birds from Amravati District checklist (p. 16); 'Two words' (pp. 17–18, by Jayant Wadatar, in Marathi); 'Tools for birdwatching' (p. 19, in Marathi); 'Places for birdwatching in Amravati District' (p. 20, in Marathi); notes (pp. 21–22, ruled blank pages); maps (col., back cover).
A bi-lingual (Marathi and English) checklist of the birds of Amravati District in Maharashtra state, India. The checklist is presented as a table with details of Order, Family, English name, Latin name, Marathi name, status, and area. The following places are abbreviated under 'area': Melghat Tiger Reserve, Pohara Malkhed Reserve Forest and water bodies around Amravati, and Mahendri Forest and water bodies around Warud. 341 taxa are listed.
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488. **Wagstaffe, R.**
1978. *Type specimens of birds in the Merseyside County Museums (formerly City of Liverpool Museums)*. Liverpool, UK, Merseyside County Museums.

<Pbk. (21 x 30 cm, with illus., cover), pp. [i–vi], 1–33, pll. 1–2 (B&W. photographs).

Contents: Tit., imp., pll., Table of conts. (pr. II.); Historical introduction to the bird collections of Merseyside County Museums (pp. 1–3); Introduction to the type list (p. 4); Systematic list of type specimens (pp. 5–25); Bibliography and references (pp. 26–27); Index to the systematic list (pp. 28–32); Index to the authorities, collectors and donors of type specimens (p. 33).

This catalogue lists types in the collection of the museum, including some from South Asia.

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489. Warakagoda, Deepal, Carol Inskipp, Tim Inskipp & Richard Grimmett.

2012. *Birds of Sri Lanka*. 1st ed. London, Christopher Helm.

Pbk. (14 x 21.5 cm, with illus., cover), pp. 1–224, pll. 1–72 (col., by: Richard Allen, Adam Bowley, Clive Byres, Daniel Cole, John Cox, Gerald Driessens, Card d'Silva, Martin Elliott, Kim Franklin, John Gale, Alan Harris, Peter Hayman, Dave Nurney, Craig Robson, Christopher Schmidt, Brian Small, Jan Wilczur, Tim Worfolk, and Martin Woodcock), photographs (col.), innum., maps (col.).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. 1); tit. (p. 3); imp. (p. 4); conts. (pp. 5–7); Acknowledgements (p. 8, by Deepal Warakagoda); How to use this book (pp. 9–10); Plumage terminology (pp. 10–11); Glossary (pp. 11–13); Geographical setting (pp. 13–14); Distribution and habitats (pp. 14–16); Bird diversity (p. 16); Migration (pp. 16–17); Important birds (pp. 17–19); Conservation (p. 20); Birdwatching areas (pp. 21–39); Family summaries (pp. 40–53); Species accounts and plates (pp. 54–197); Appendix: Vagrants to Sri Lanka (pp. 198–207); Organisations (pp. 208–211); References (p. 212); Selected bibliography (pp. 212–214); Index (pp. 215–224).

This field guide to the birds of Sri Lanka covers 450+ taxa, and has been carved out of the authors' (except D. Warakagoda) larger work, and augmented with latest information. The plates are on the recto, and facing them, on the verso are the corresponding maps and notes. These latter cover English and Latin names, ID pointers, voice, and habits and habitat. The appendix lists 72 taxa as vagrants.

Reviews: Gehan de Silva Wijeyeratne. 2012. *BirdingASIA* 17: 12; Peter L. Bright. 2012. *Ibis* 154 (4): 911–912.

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490. Warren, Rachel L. M.

1966. *Type-specimens of birds in the British Museum (Natural History). Non-passerines. Publication 651*. London, UK, Trustees of the British Museum (Natural History). Vol. 1 of 3 vols.

Pbk. (15 x 24.5 cm), pp. i–x, 1–320.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); introd. (pp. iii–ix); catalogue (pp. 1–320).

'This volume lists the non-passerine birds which have been segregated, from the general collections of the Department of Zoology, as name-bearing type-specimens. Thus only holotypes, syntypes, lectotypes and neotypes are eligible for inclusion ... Specimens which have been wrongly recorded in the literature as types, and types which cannot now be found, are listed in their proper places with explanatory notes ... Since this is a purely typological work, no attempt is made to assign the listed types to currently-accepted taxa' (p. iii).

Review: Allan R. Phillips. 1974. *Auk* 91: 433–434.

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491. Warren, Rachel L. M. & C. J. O. Harrison.

1971. *Type-specimens of birds in the British Museum (Natural History). Passerines. Publication 691*. London, UK, Trustees of the British Museum (Natural History). Vol. 2 of 3 vols.

Pbk. (15 x 24.5 cm), pp. i–vi, 1–628.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii; with pasted slip note 'Errata'); introd. (pp. iii–iv); Drawings as type specimens (p. iv); Additional notes on authors and collections (p. v); Acknowledgements (p. v, by R. L. M. Warren, 1 September, 1970); References (p. vi); Corrections and additions to vols. 1 and 2 (p. vi); catalogue (pp. 1–611); Corrections and additions to volume 1 (pp. 613–622); Corrections and additions to volume 2 (pp. 623–628).

'This second volume lists in alphabetical order the name-bearing type specimens of passerine birds in the Department of Zoology of the British Museum (Natural History), following the format used for the non-passerines in volume 1 ... Volume 2 differs from volume 1 in including drawings in the Department of Zoology accepted as type specimens...' (p. iii).

Review: Allan R. Phillips. 1974. *The Auk* 91: 433–434.

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492. Warren, Rachel L. M. & C. J. O. Harrison.

1973. *Type-specimens of birds in the British Museum (Natural History). Systematic Index. Publication 716*. London, British Museum (Natural History). Vol. 3 of 3 vols.

Pbk. (15 x 24.5 cm), pp. i–xi, 1–76.

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); Foreword (p. iii, by L. B. Holthuis); Introduction to volume 3 (p. v); Additional notes on authors and collections (p. v, by R. L. M. Warren); References (p. vi); Bibliography of type lists published by some museums (pp. vii–viii); Corrections and additions to vol. 1 (pp. ix–x); Corrections and additions to vol. 2 (pp. x–xi); Systematic index (pp. 1–68);

Index of Genera in the systematic index (pp. 69–76).

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492A. Wedderburn, William.

1913. *Allan Octavian Hume, C. B. "Father of the Indian National Congress" 1829 to 1912.* 1st. London, T. Fisher Unwin.

PDF. Pp. i–vi, 1–182, 1 portr., (B&W, frontisp.).

Contents: Tit. (p. i); imp. (p. ii); conts. (pp. v–vi); Introductory (pp. 1–3); Parentage and early years (pp. 3–6); Indian Civil Service (pp. 6–398; "The pope of ornithology" (pp. 39–46); His retirement in 1882 (pp. 46–47): The Indian National Congress (pp. 47–102); Proposed memorial (pp. 102–103); "Farewell to India" (pp. 103–106); Social reform (pp. 106–109); Electoral campaigns in Dulwich (pp. 109–113); The South London Botanic Institute (pp. 113–121); Epilogue (pp. 122–130); The Public Service Commission (pp. 130–136); Appendix I (pp. 137–147); Appendix II: A letter to Mr. Behramji M. Malabari (pp. 148–162); Appendix III: Lord Dufferin's resolution on Hindu reforms (pp. 163–167); Appendix IV (pp. 168–176); Appendix V: Etawah's debt to Mr. Hume (pp. 177–182).

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493. Weidensaul, Scott.

2021. *A world on the wing: The global odyssey of migratory birds.* London, UK, Picador.

Hbk. (15.5 x 23 cm, with illus., dust cover), pp. [i–x], 1–385, 37 photographs (col., between pp. 118–119 and 262–263), 12 maps, 1 portr. (dust cover inside flap; author).

Contents: Half-tit. (p. i); advt. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); imp. (p. iv); ded. (p. v); conts. (p. vii); half-tit. (p. ix); Prologue (p. 1–24); Spoonies (p. 25–63); Quantum leap (p. 64–90); We used to think (p. 91–125); Big data, big trouble (p. 126–156); Hangover (p. 157–186); Tearing up the calendar (p. 187–221); *Aguiluchos* redux (p. 222–246); Off the shelf (p. 247–277); To hide from god (p. 278–310); *Eninum* (pp. 311–340); Epilogue (p. 341–348); Acknowledgments (p. 349–352); References (p. 353–373); Index (p. 375–385).

The author traces the journeys of long-distant migrants. Pertinent to South Asian ornithology are those that traverse the Central Asian Flyway, and the East Asian-Australasian Flyway. Two chapters are dedicated to species that fly over South Asia: Spoonies (pp. 25–63) follows the Spoon-billed Sandpipers, and *Eninum* (pp. 311–340), the Amur Falcons.

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494. Wells, David R. Ed.

2010. *Systematic notes on Asian birds 2010. Exploring the taxonomy and nomenclature of the birds of a broadly defined Oriental Realm. Numbers 68–76 (A continuation of the Leiden series).* BOC Occasional Publications. United Kingdom, British Ornithologists' Club.

Pbk. (17.5 x 24.5 cm, with illus., cover), pp. i–vi, 1–148, photographs (col.), maps, sonograms.

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Nine papers comprise this issue, covering various aspects of the systematics of Asian birds.

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2013. *Peregrine Falcons of the World.* 1st ed. Barcelona, Lynx Edicions.

Hbk. (16.0x23.0 cm, with illus., cover, but without dust jacket), pp. [1–5] 6–379+5, 20 pll. (col., by Andrew Ellis), 124

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Contents: Half-tit. [p. 1]; frontisp. [p. 2; col., by Andrew Ellis]; tit. [p. 3]; imp. [p. 4]; Contents [p. 5–6]; Pref. (pp. 7–8); Introd. (pp. 9–50); European Peregrine (*Falco peregrinus peregrinus* Tunstall 1771) (pp. 51–68); Siberian Tundra Peregrine (*Falco peregrinus calidus* Latham 1790) (pp. 69–84); Japanese Peregrine (*Falco peregrinus japonensis* Gmelin 1788) and East Siberian Peregrine (*Falco peregrinus hartei* Buturlin 1907) (pp. 85–100); Mediterranean Peregrine (*Falco peregrinus brookei* Sharpe 1873) (pp. 101–116); Black Shaheen (*Falco peregrinus peregrinator* Sundevall 1837) (pp. 117–126); North American Tundra Peregrine (*Falco peregrinus tundrius* White 1968) (pp. 127–148); American Peregrine (*Falco peregrinus anatum* Bonaparte 1838) (pp. 149–172); Peale's Peregrine (*Falco peregrinus pealei* Ridgway 1873) (pp. 173–190); African Peregrine (*Falco peregrinus minor* Bonaparte 1850) (pp. 191–204); Australian Peregrine (*Falco peregrinus macropus* Swainson 1837) and Black-cheeked Peregrine (*Falco peregrinus submelanogenys* Mathews 1912) (pp. 205–218); South American Peregrine (*Falco peregrinus cassini* Sharpe 1873) (pp. 219–240); Cape Verde Peregrine (*Falco peregrinus madens* Ripley and Watson 1963) (pp. 241–246); Madagascan Peregrine (*Falco peregrinus radama* Hartlaub 1861) (pp. 247–254); Iwo Peregrine (*Falco peregrinus furuitii* Momiyama 1927) (pp. 255–262); Ernest's Peregrine (*Falco peregrinus ernesti* Sharpe 1894) (pp. 263–276); Island (Melanesian) Peregrine (*Falco peregrinus nesiotes* Mayr 1941) (pp. 277–290); Barbary Falcon (*Falco peregrinus pelegrinoides* Temminck 1829) (pp. 291–308); Red-naped Shaheen (*Falco peregrinus babylonicus* Sclater 1861) (pp. 309–322); Acknowledgements (pp. 323–324); References (1,147; pp. 325–372); Appendix: Museum specimen measurements (pp. 373–379); [The authors].

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496. Wijeyeratne, Gehan de Silva.

2015. *A naturalist's guide to the birds of Sri Lanka*. England, John Beaufoy Publishing Limited.

Pbk. (13 x 18 cm., with illus., cover), pp. 1–176, 363 photographs (col.), 2 maps (col.).

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The checklist (pp. 160–172) lists 459 taxa.

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497. Wijeyeratne, Gehan de Silva.

2017. *A photographic field guide to the birds of Sri Lanka*. England, John Beaufoy Publishing.

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498. Wikramanayake, Eric Bird (1899–1985)

1977. *Go to the birds*. Colombo, Sri Lanka, Wildlife and Nature Protection Society of Sri Lanka (Ceylon) & Ceylon Bird Club.

Pbk. (18.5 x 25 cm, with illus., cover by N. T. Ariyaratne), pp. i–vi, 1–72, 25 line drawings (by N. T. Ariyaratne).

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This is a book that introduces birds and bird-watching to the 'younger generation'. Most of the chapters appeared as articles in *Loris*—the journal of the Wildlife and Nature Protection Society. The list of birds (pp. 62–72) contains, besides Order, Family, English name, and scientific name, the Sri Lankan and Tamil names too, along with short notes for some taxa. A bibliography on p. 72 recommends fourteen works.

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499. Yamazaki, Toru, Y. Nitani, T. Murate, K. C. Lim, C. Kasorndorkbua, Z. Rakhman & S. Gombobaatar. Eds. Vol. 1 of 2 vols.

2012. *Field guide to raptors of Asia: Migratory raptors of Oriental Asia*. Mongolia, Mongolica Publishing.

Pbk. (13 x 21 cm, with illus., cover), pp. 1–119.

Contents: For the second volume of this two-volume work see Sundev & Yamazaki (2018).

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2002. *Fauna of Ujani (Maharashtra)*. Wetland Ecosystem Series No. 3. Kolkata, India, Director, Zoological Survey of India.

Pbk. (20.5 x 28 cm, with ill. cover), pp. i–vi, 1–196, text-figs., maps.

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502. Zaidi, Mehran.

2006. *Bird by bird: Common Indian birds*. Gurgaon, India, Scholastic.

Pbk. (13 x 19 cm, with illus., cover), pp. i–xviii, 1–118, 97 illus. (col., by Mohammad Anwar).

Contents: Half-tit., advt. (p. i); imp., ded. (p. ii); tit. (p. iii); Acknowledgements (p. iv); conts. (pp. v–viii); Foreword (p. ix, by Ruskin Bond); An introduction to birdwatching (pp. x–xiii); Terms to remember (pp. xiv–xviii); Birds around your house (pp. 1–8); Birds in city parks (pp. 9–21); Birds in open areas (pp. 23–42); Birds in forests (pp. 43–68); Water birds (pp. 69–112); Endangered birds (pp. 113–118).

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503. Zaidi, Mehran.

2010. *Birds & butterflies of Delhi*. 1st ed. New Delhi, Tara Press.

Pbk. (13.0 x 20.5 cm, with illus. cover), pp. [i]–xxi+1, 1–241+1, pl. 113 (89 of birds; 24 of butterflies, by Mohd. Anwar, and Hans Ram Yadav), maps (distribution), 1 portr. (p. xiv), illus. endpapers.

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Covers 89 bird spp. This is a book for beginning birders.

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2016. *Documentation and study on the conservation status of avian collection of State Museum Lucknow*. Department of Museology. Aligarh, India, Aligarh Muslim University. PhD in Museology.

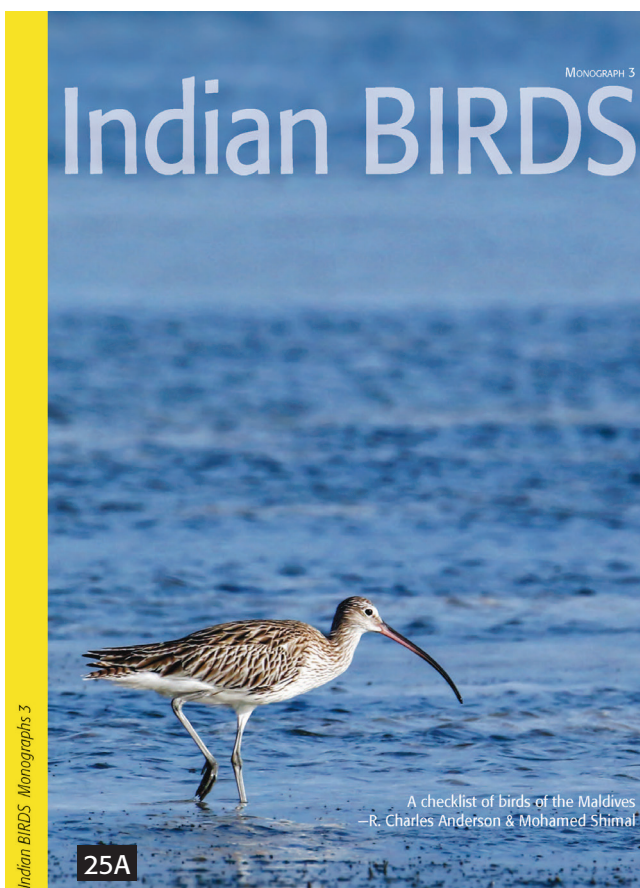
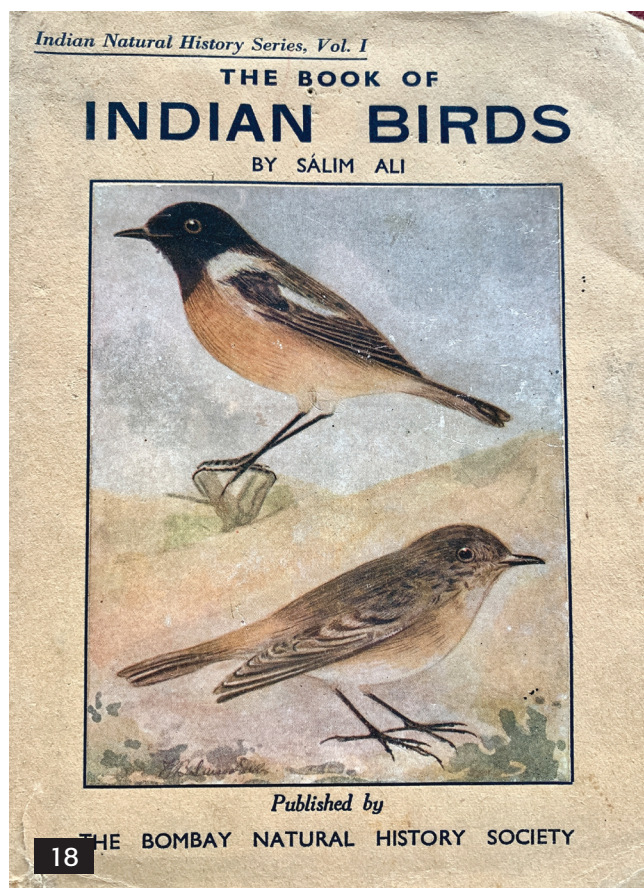
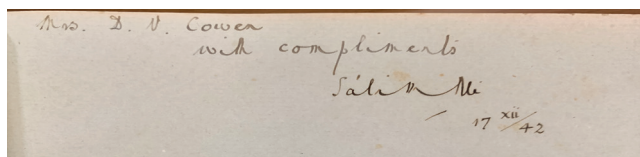
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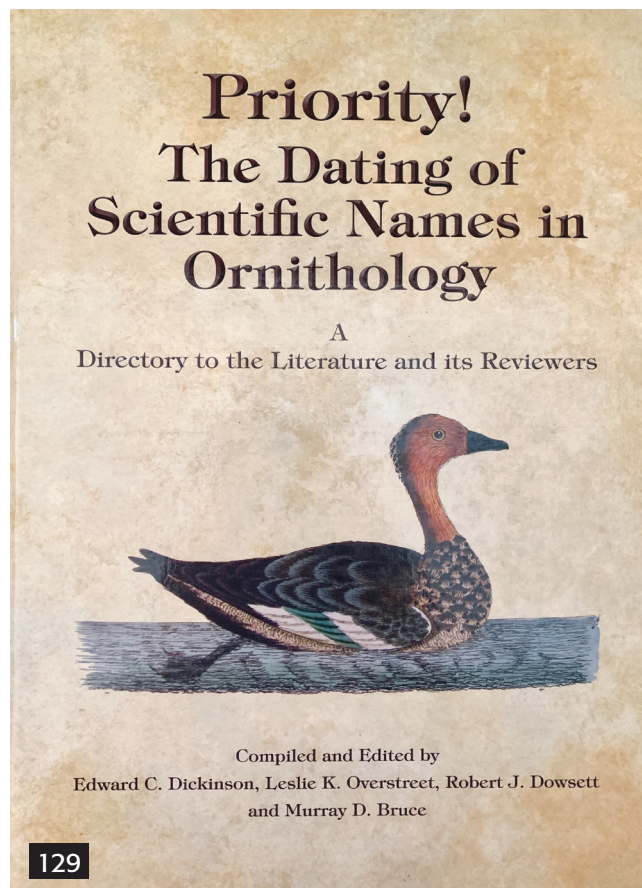
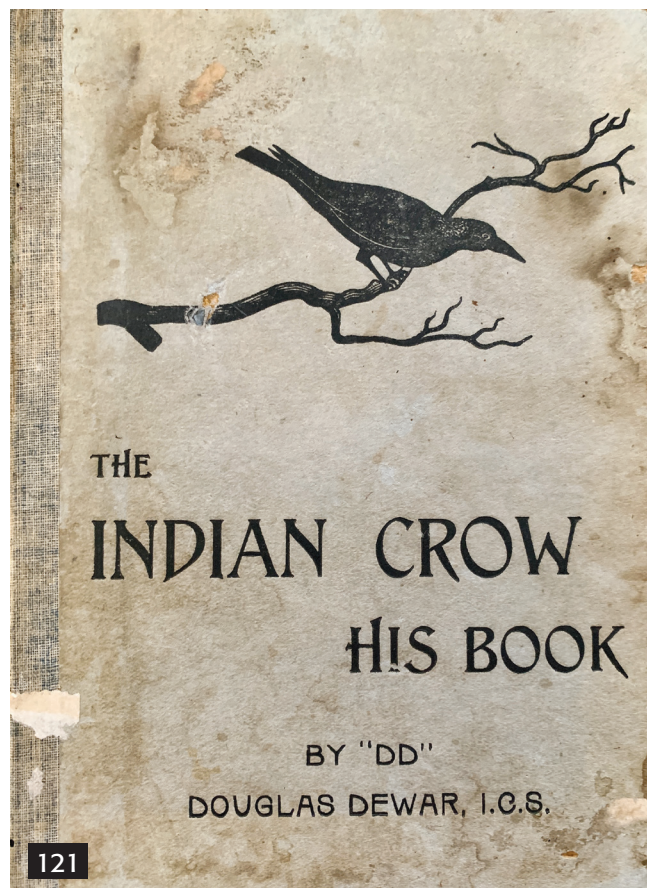
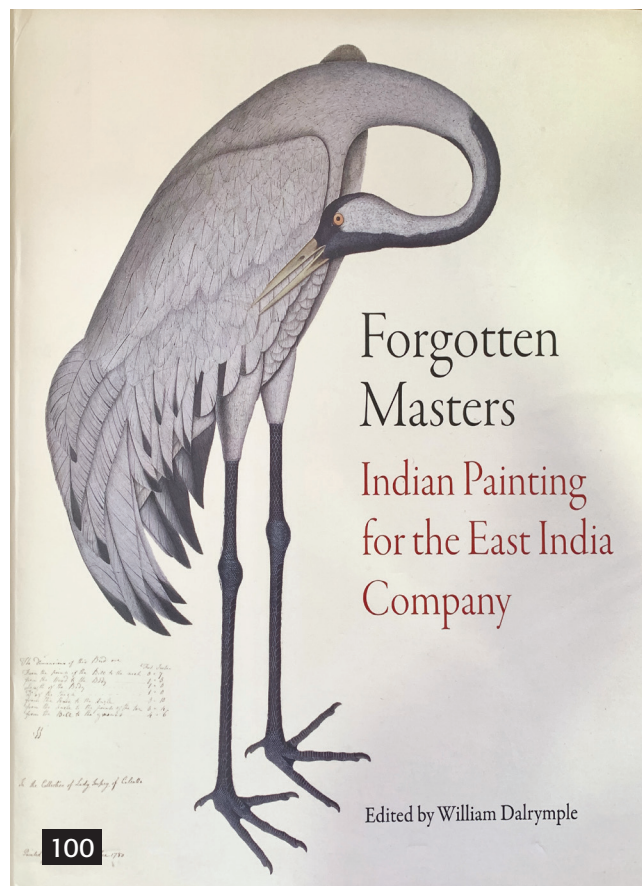
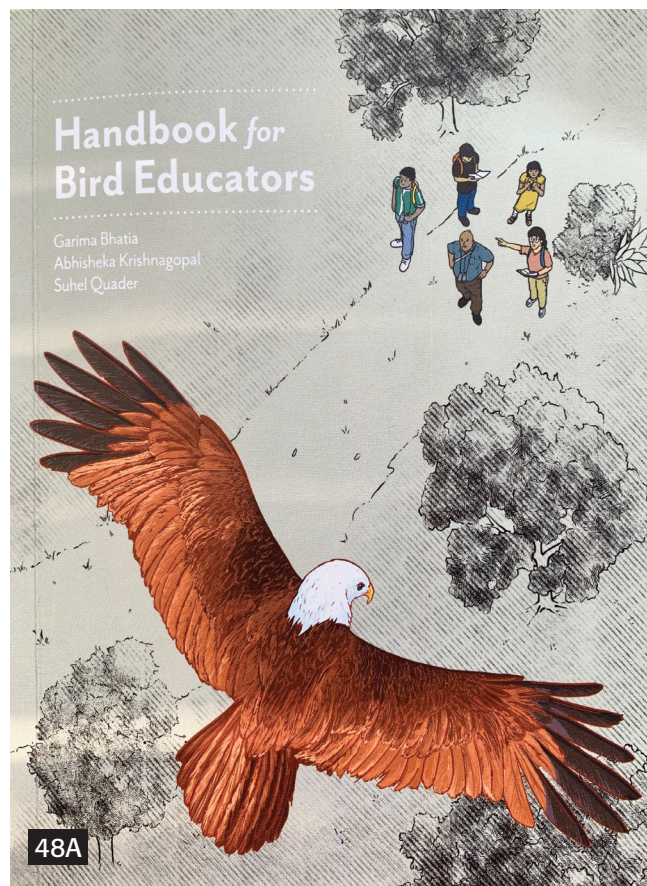
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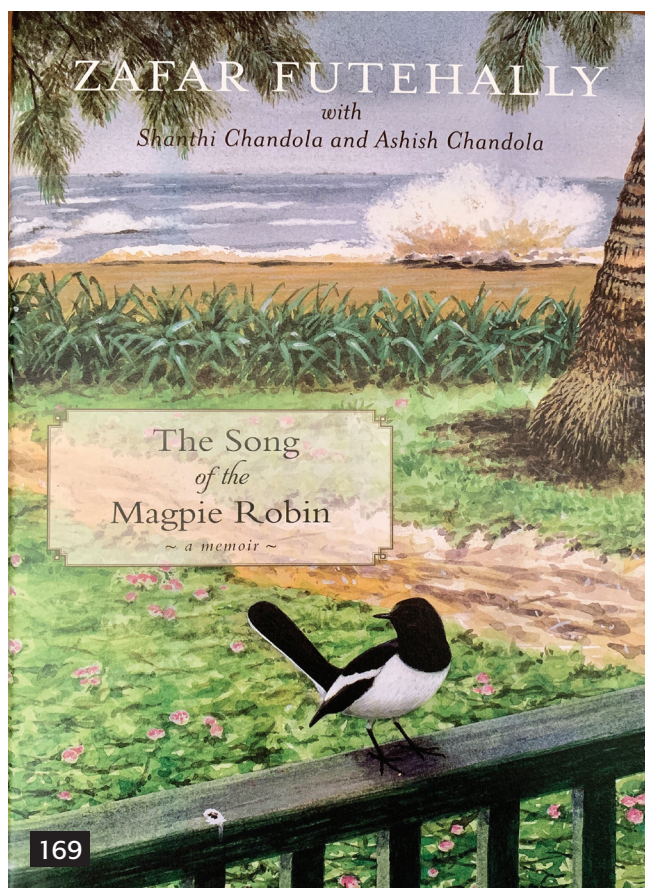
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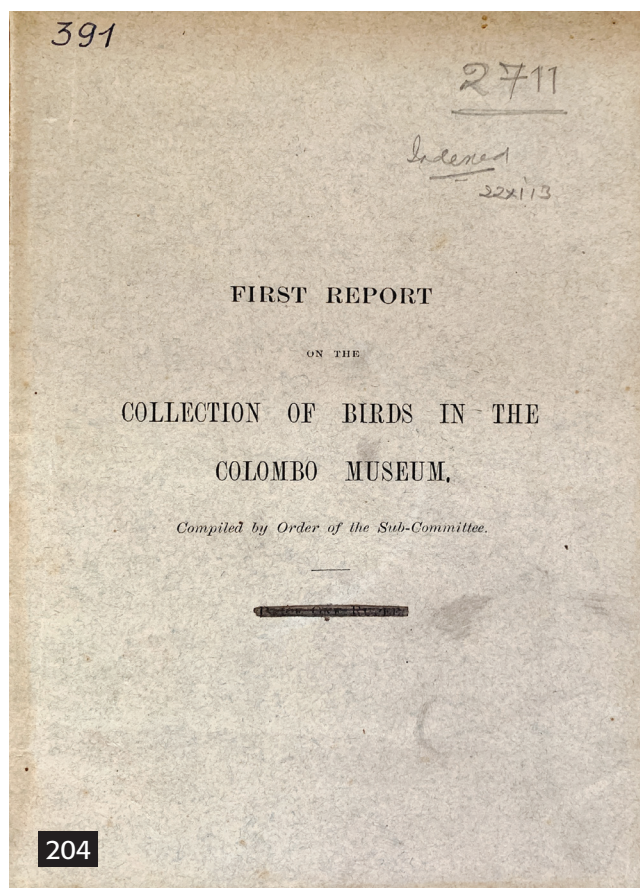
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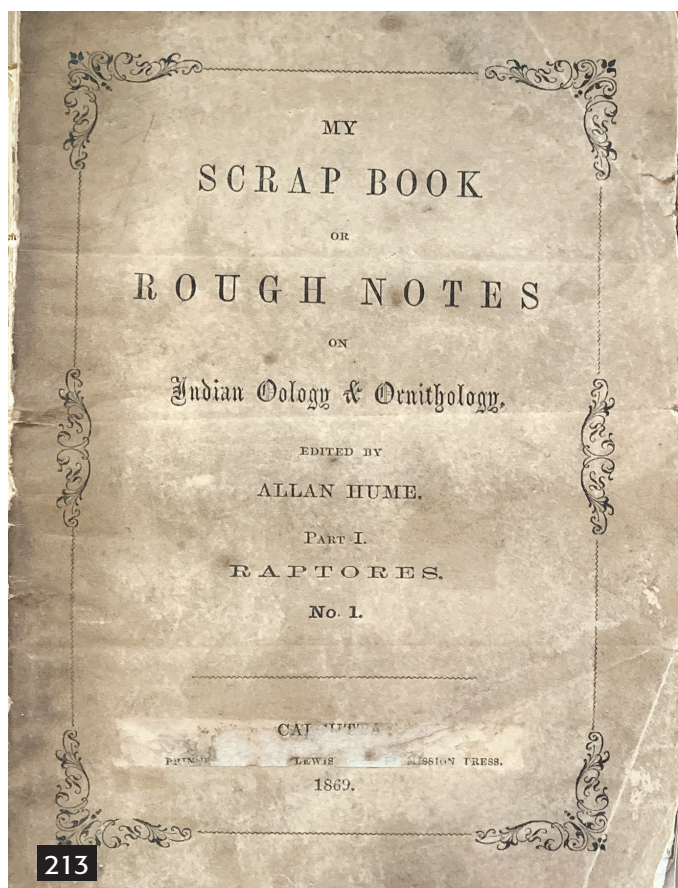




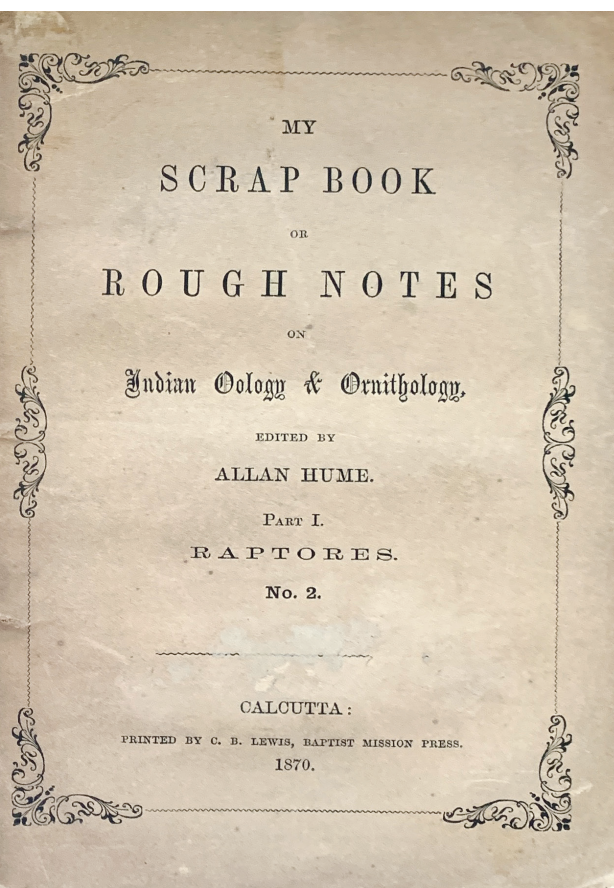
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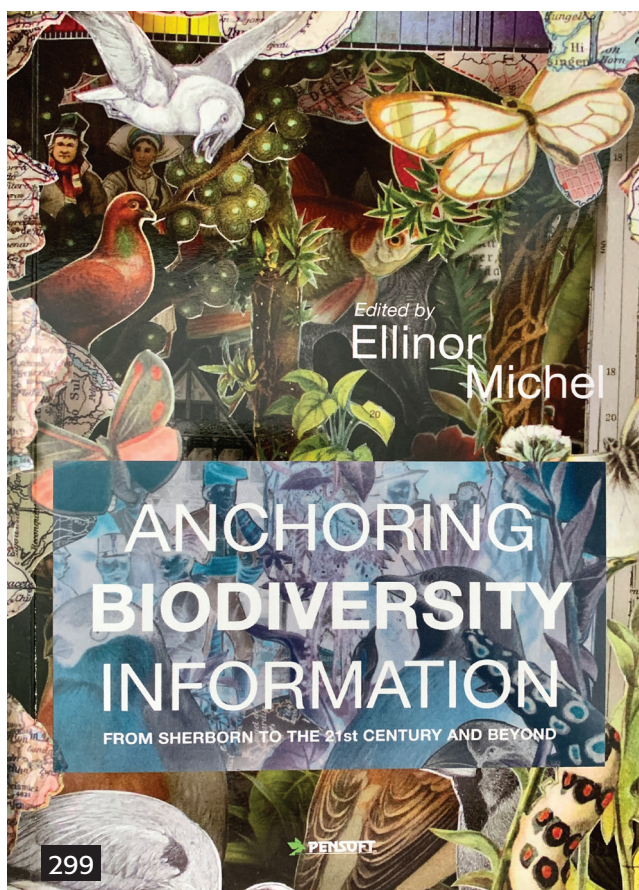
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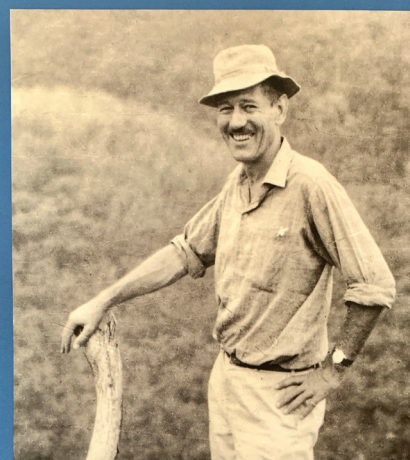
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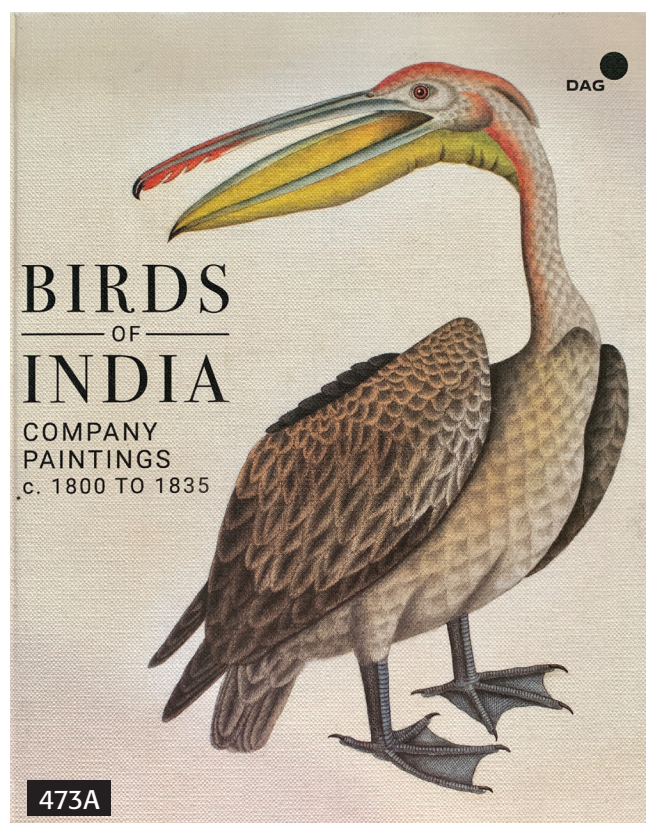
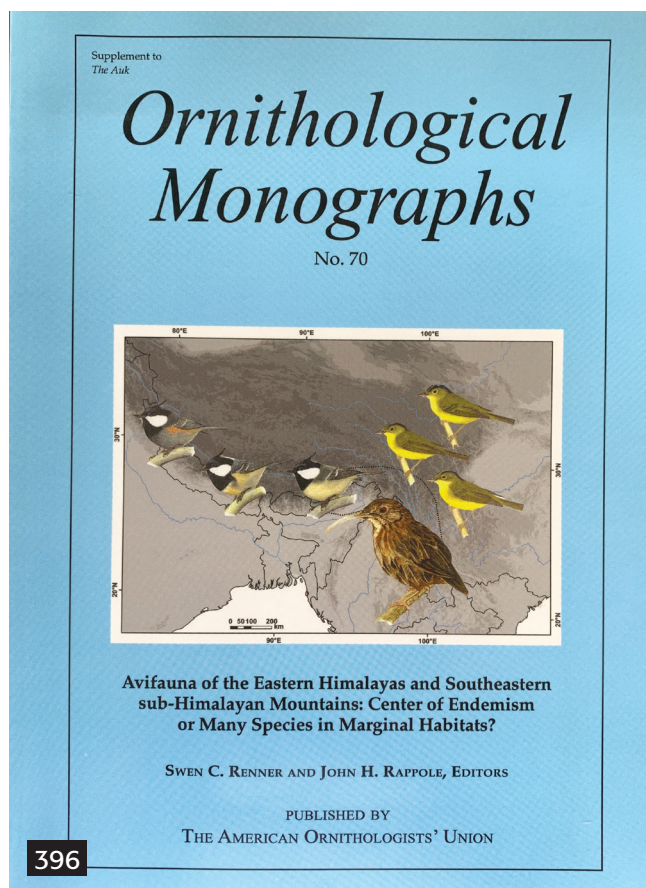
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ACLAND, Richard Dyke (1881–1954): British soldier (1st Volunteer Battalion, Oxfordshire Light Infantry; reaching the rank of captain). Anglican bishop, serving as Bishop of Bombay (1929–1947). Decorated with the Kaisar-i-Hind Gold Medal in 1947. [Source: Anonymous 2021a.]

ADAMS, Francis (1796–1861): Scottish medical doctor, and father of Andrew Leith Adams (1827–1882; Pittie 2010: 765). [Source: Anonymous 2021b.]

AINSLIE, Sir Whitelaw (1767–1837): British surgeon, and writer on medicine. Worked for the East India Company for twenty-seven years, in various medical posts in southern India—Ganjam, Chingleput, Madras. Was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh (1829), and knighted (1835). [Sources: Anonymous 1915, 2021c.]

COCKBURN, Margaret Bushby Lascelles (1829–1928): Artist, amateur ornithologist, and tea planter. Born in Salem, and later moved to Kotagiri in the Nilgiris. Keen observer and painter of local natural history, especially birds. Her observations were quoted by renowned ornithologists of her time, Allan O. Hume (1829–1912; Pittie 2010: 789–790), and W. Vincent Legge (1841–1914; Pittie 2010: 797–798). The Natural History Museum, London, holds a collection of her paintings. [Sources: Sridhar 2010; Anonymous 2020a.]

CUNNINGHAM, David Douglas (1843–1914): Scottish doctor and researcher, who worked extensively in India, especially on cholera. Promoted to the rank of a Colonel, serving under the Bengal Medical Service. Did not see any war service. He accompanied the Sikkim Expedition (1887–1888) as the government naturalist. He was a skilled botanist and zoologist, but these were not his lifework, but hobbies. [Sources: Anonymous 1915; Anonymous 2021d.]

DALRYMPLE, Clarence Bruce (1862–1934): Soldier and traveller. Joined the army, 1882, and served in India, 1883–1889; wrote *In the hoofprints of Marco Polo* in 1905; wounded during service in China, 1898–1904; Commissioner of International Police Shanghai, 1907–1914 and commanded brigade of Scottish Division, 1915. Bruce received a CBE; and was Fellow of Royal Geographical Society 1901–1934. [Sources: Kirke 2021.]

DANIEL, Jivanayakam Cyril (1927–2011): Indian naturalist and author. Fondly called ‘JC’ by everyone. Worked as a curator at the Natural History Museum, Darjeeling (1955–1950); joined the Bombay Natural History Society (1960–1991), serving in various capacities from curator, Hon. Secretary, editor of the Society’s *Journal*, and popular magazine *Hornbill*, and Vice President. His forte was reptiles, and he published *The book of Indian reptiles* (1983). He guided several M.Sc., and Ph.D. students. He received several national and international awards. A frog *Nyctibatrachus danieli*, and a caecilian *Gegeneophis danieli* are eponymous. [Source: Rahmani 2012.]

DICK, John Henry (1919–1995): American naturalist and wildlife artist, specializing in birds. Joined the US Airforce during World War II. Illustrated several books, including *A pictorial guide to the birds of the Indian subcontinent* (1983; Pittie 2010: 65–66). His mother had survived the RMS *Titanic*’s sinking in 1912. Tragically, he lost his eyesight towards the end of his life. Seven volumes of his journals are held by The South Carolina Historical Society. He bequeathed his 900 acres estate to the College of Charleston. [Sources: Anonymous 2020b, 2021e.]

DIESSELHORST, Gerd (1911–2008): German ornithologist. Fought in the French and Russian campaigns as a Wehrmacht soldier, and was seriously wounded in 1942. Joined the German Ornithological Society in 1939, and became its Secretary during 1949–1951. Was the head of the ornithological department of the Munich State Zoological Collection, 1951–1973. Edited *Die Vogelwarte*, 1955–1965. [Source: Anonymous 2021f.]

EISELEY, LOREN COREY (1907–1977): American anthropologist, humanist, philosopher, evocative essayist, poet, and writer. Served long, under various avatars, at the University of Pennsylvania. Was elected a member of the National Institute of Arts and Letters, and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. Often referred to as the modern day Thoreau. [Sources: Anonymous 2021g; Britannica 2021.]

FLETCHER, Harold Roy (1907–1978): British botanist, horticulturist, and author. He was Regius Keeper of the Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh, 1956–1970, and Her Majesty’s Botanist, 1966–1978. Elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh and served as its Vice President, 1962–1965, and won their Neill Prize, 1971–1973. Was bestowed with honorary doctorates (DSc) by the universities of Edinburgh, and St. Andrews. [Source: Anonymous 2021h.]

FUTEHALLY, Zafar Rashid (1920–2013): Indian naturalist and conservationist. Founder editor (1960–2003) of the bimonthly *Newsletter for Birdwatchers*, Executive Committee member, and Hon. Secretary of the Bombay Natural History Society (1962–1973), editor of

the *Journal of the Bombay Natural History Society* (1963–1973), member of the executive board of the IUCN (1966–), and its Vice President (1969). Founder Trustee of World Wildlife Fund-India (1969), Vice President of WWF International, Member of Honour in 1994. Involved in various capacities in the International Ornithological Congress. Editor Emeritus of the *Newsletter for Ornithologists*, and its later avatar *Indian BIRDS* (2004–2013). Was awarded the Padma Shri (1971), the Order of the Golden Ark (1981), and the Karnataka Rajyotsava Award (1983). [Sources: Chandola & Chandola 2014; Anonymous 2021i.]

GREVILLE, Robert Kaye (1794–1866): English mycologist, bryologist, botanist, and accomplished artist and illustrator of natural history. Mount Greville in Queensland is eponymous.

HALY, Amyrald (1845–1921): Zoologist, and first Director of the Colombo Museum, retaining the position for just over a quarter of a century (1875–1901), though Green (1912) stated he began his stint two years later. [Sources: Haly 1891; Green 1912; Beolens et al. 2013: 88; Sweet 2014.]

HOFFMEISTER, Werner Friedrich (1819–1845): German physician and botanist. Killed in a skirmish with the Sikhs at the Battle of Ferozeshah, India (21–22 December 1845. Personal physician of prince Waldemar of Prussia, accompanying the prince to India in 1844. They visited Sri Lanka, Kolkata, Patna, Nepal, and the Himalaya. [Sources: Troelstra 2018; Anonymous 2021j.]

JAMESON, Robert (1774–1854): Scottish naturalist, mineralogist, and author. Regius Professor of natural history at the University of Edinburgh for fifty years. The Jameson's Mamba *Dendroaspis jamesoni* is eponymous. [Source: Anonymous 2021m.]

LAINER, Heinz (1943–2020): Widely travelled German ornithologist who settled in Goa in 1974.

LEVETT-Yeats, Gerald Aylmer (1863–1938): British civil servant, writer, and illustrator of natural history books. Lived in Calcutta (=Kolkata) and served as a sub-deputy opium inspector in the Opium Department. [Source: Jackson 1999; Anonymous 2021k.]

MATTHEW, DR. FR. Koyapillil Mathai (1930–2004): Renowned Indian botanical taxonomist, conservationist, educationist, and author. Lecturer in Botany (1969–1989), and Founder-Director of The Rapinat Herbarium (Tiruchirappalli), and The Anglade Institute of Natural History (Kodaikanal). Described four new species, one subspecies, and proposed several new combinations. *Strobilanthes matthewiana* is eponymous. [Source: Britto & Karthikeyan 2004.]

McMASTER, Andrew Cooke (1824–1879): Born in Bellary, Karnataka. Joined the British Army. Promoted to Brigadier-General of the Madras Army. Died and interred in Mooltan [=Multan].

MIEROW, Dorothy (1921–2000): American Peace Corps volunteer, from Colorado Springs. Held masters' degrees in biology and geography. First visited Nepal with the Peace Corps in 1962. Authored several books on Nepal. Built the Annapurna Regional Natural History Museum at Prithwi Narayan College in Pokhara. [Source: Fisher 2000.]

MURRAY, Hugh (1779–1846): Scottish geographer and author. [Source: Anonymous 2021l.]

RAHA, Bishwarup (1956–2018): Indian naturalist, conservationist, educationist, and author. Founder-President of the Nature Conservation Society of Nashik, 1996. Honorary Wildlife Warden of Nashik District, 1997–2018; Successfully lobbied the Forest Department to declare Borgad, near Nashik, as a Conservation Reserve, and rewilded it. Awarded the Vasundhara Mitra Award for outstanding work in nature conservation.

SANKARAN, Ravi (1963–2009): Ornithologist at the Bombay Natural History Society, 1985–1992. In 1992 he joined the Sálím Ali Centre for Ornithology and Natural History (Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu). Appointed its Director in 2008, his tenure was rudely cut short in 2009. Ravi studied several little-known yet endangered species of India: Little Florican, Great Indian Bustard, Narcondam Hornbill, Nicobar Megapode, and Edible-nest Swiftlets. He found his stamping grounds in grasslands, the Himalaya, and in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands. Besides pursuing pure ornithology and ecology, he was passionate about community conservation; the latter evident in his work with people in Nagaland, and in espousing sustainable captive breeding of swiftlets. Ravi was a hands-on conservationist, and preferred spending his time in the field; his exploits have attained legendary status. His research papers and publications are revered in Indian natural history circles. *Caridina ravisankarani* sp. nov., is eponymous (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.11646/zootaxa.5057.3.5>). [Sources: Rahmani 2009; Raman & Mudappa 2009.]

TROELSTRA, Anne Sjerp (1939–2019): Studied mathematics and physics at the University of Amsterdam. From 1970 to 2000 he was full professor of pure mathematics and foundations of mathematics at the University of Amsterdam. He [was] a member of the Royal Dutch Academy of Arts and Sciences, and a corresponding member of the Bavarian Academy of Sciences. He was interested in botany from an early age, and with others he also discovered and named three new species of bramble. This led to a lasting fascination with the history of biology, especially natural history travel narratives. After his retirement he decided to write about natural history travel narratives, resulting in two popular science books (in Dutch), *Tijgers op de Ararat* ('Tigers on Mount Ararat', Atlas, 2003) and *Kolibries in de Oren*

(‘Hummingbirds in the ears’, Atlas, 2009), and an anthology of Dutch natural history travel narratives: *Van Spitsbergen naar Suriname* (Atlas, 2007). [Sources: Troelstra, A. S., 2018; van Benthem, J., & de Jongh, D., [2019]; de Jongh, D., & Moschovakis, J. R., 2020.]

WIKRAMANAYAKE, Eric Bird (1899–1985): Sri Lankan lawyer, statesman, author, and conservationist. Appointed the Queen’s Counsel in 1948. Minister of Justice in the Cabinet of Prime Minister Sir John L. Kotelawela (1953–1956), he resigned when he could not stop the ill-advised Mahawilachchiya Colonization Scheme, which was partly carved out of Wilpattu National Park. Joined the Wildlife and Nature Protection Society of Ceylon in 1938, the first Sri Lankan to do so, was on its Committee for thirty-two years (1951–1983), was elected its President twice, 1954–1956, and 1966–1968, and made an Honorary Life Member in 1970. He was instrumental in having the Society incorporated by Act of Parliament in 1968, as the Wildlife Protection Society of Sri Lanka, and was its first President. He was also Chairman of the Ceylon Bird Club, and the Sri Lanka National Section of the ICBP. Yes, his middle name was ‘Bird’. [Sources: Hoffmann 1970, 1985.]

WILSON, James (1805–1860): Scottish businessman, economist, and politician. Founded *The Economist*, the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, which merged with Standard Bank in 1969 to form Standard Chartered. Was the financial member of the Council of India (1859), instrumental in establishing the tax structure, a new paper currency, and remodeling India’s finance system, however, he died in Calcutta [=Kolkata] in 1860, and is buried there. [Source: Anonymous 2021n.]

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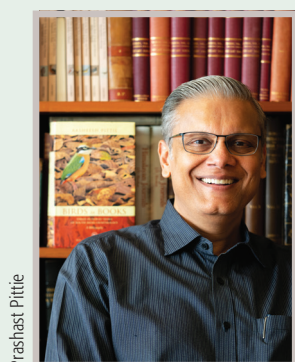
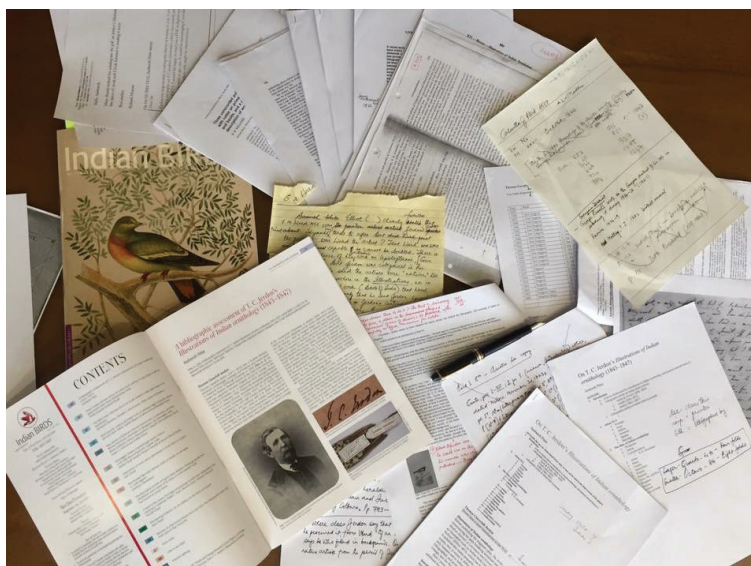
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